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"A Soldier's Reward."

Sermon Preached Before Chas. Gabriel Post No. 6, G. A. R.,

At Mt. Zion A. M. E. Church Sunday Night, May 26th, by the Rev. Cæsar A. A. Taylor, D. D., Ph. D., Jacksonville, Florida.

Taking for his text 1st Timothy 6-12, Rev. Dr. Taylor, who is himself the son of a veteran, said:

"Our text as a basis, leads out into a comparison of carnal and civil with spiritual warfare. The first for earthly conquest or present good; the second for heavenly conquest or eternal good. He who fights for freedom, for home and country, is not less a hero than he who fights against the world, the flesh and the devil; yea, against spiritual wickedness to obtain an immortal crown, where God and angels dwell. They both will gain 'a soldier's reward.'

This post which we to-night assemble with is eleven years old. It was instituted May 8, 1884, and was mustered in by Acting Inspector Gen. A. F. Sterns, of Warining, Fla. The following veterans were mentioned as charter members: Frank Franklin, commander; Jas. A. Roberts, adjutant; Wm. Johnson, S. V. commander; Scipio Middleton, J. V. commander; Adam Reese, chaplain; David Hall, quartermaster; Jas. Leonard, officer of the day; Sam'l Rogers, officer of the guard; Richard Simmons, sergeant major; Henry Allen, quartermaster sergeant. Privates were: Abner Green and Brass Bryant. The Post was named Charles Gabriel Post No. 6, G. A. R., in honor of Sergeant Chas. Gabriel of Co. F., 34th U. S. Troop. He died in defense of country and flag. Deceased members laid away to rest are: Frank Franklin, ex-commander; Wm. Johnson, ex-S. V. commander; Scipio Middleton, ex-J. V. commander; Adam Reese, ex-chaplain; Robert Thomas, ex-surgeon; privates Wm. Clark, Geo. Moseley and Henry Keith; ex-officer of the guard, Richard Boltin; ex-adjutant, Milton Thomas; Augustus Dorsey, Robert Anderson, Wm. Lewis and Mathew Jackson, ex-sergeants; Adam Lond, Chance Jenkins, Henry Dickson, John Miles and Tillman Valentine, ex-commanders; Handy Tyner, ex-officer of the guard; Samuel Craft, ex-surgeon; privates Ishmael Law, Richard Simmons, George Yark and Joseph Williams.

Several other older veterans now silent in the tomb across the great river were not connected with the Post, but should have been. The present officers are: Sabee Nattiel, commander; Frederick Hamilton, S. V. commander; Anthony Bram, J. V. commander; Richard Sanderson, surgeon; Florida Singleton, officer of the day; David Hall, chaplain; Jas. A. DeLancy, adjutant; Thos. Dickerson, quartermaster assistant; Charles Anthum, officer of the guard; Isam Smith, quartermaster sergeant; Lewis McQueen, sergeant major. The Post numbers now forty-six members. They are trying to buy from Greeley Rollins and Morgan the lot and hall on Beaver between Ocean and Newman streets. They have near completed payment on lot and hall, which will be used as a Memorial hall for the Sons of Veterans and the Woman's Relief Corps, which is an auxiliary to the G. A. R., and God bless the noble heroines who, true to their womanly instincts, queenly natures of affectionate patience, angel-like care and heavenly devotion nursed the sick, bound up the wounded, staunched the bleeding, bathed the fevered brow and gave words of loving cheer to their husbands, their sons, their brothers and their sweethearts, strengthening their hearts for battle on gory fields, and in the world of labor. The Post is about to organize a camp of Sons of Veterans.

Continuing the speaker said: "In the language of the New Castle, Pa., Volunteer, 'All we enjoy to-day is the price of blood, and every American boy or girl should know the story of how real heroes fought and fell, and should be taught to honor their memory. The veterans whose lives and suffering saved the country, have a right to demand that no policy, by government or man, shall now ventalize the fearful price paid for human rights and individual liberty.

Let the memories of the past dangers make you ready to stand by those who stood by you.

Let us weave a chaplet of roses to the loyal heroes of the war, and as for me, a veteran's son, I fain would weave a garland, from the glorified fields of fame, and mention each historic spot and each loved leader's name:

> The man who bore the battle's brunt,
> And nobly won his scar,
> Oft points you out with glowing pride,
> The heroes of the war.
> The soldier wanders back apace,
> And views the scenes anew—
> The flashing steel, the serried ranks,
> The surging gray and blue.
> Reverberating Union cheers,
> The grating rebel yells,
> The silent flashing of the guns,
> The howling of the shells.
> As foeman worthy of the steel,
> Though brothers they have been;
> The valor of such armies brave,
> The world has never seen.
> The daring deeds of bravery shown,
> Amidst the blazing guns;
> With every man a hero then—
> A thousand Washingtons.

The number of men engaged in the civil war from April 24, 1861 to 1865, was 2,859,132; number killed in both wars, 61,362; number died of wounds, 183,287; total, 279,376. A cost to the United States of $6,189,929,909. Pennsylvania, after New York, contributed the largest number of soldiers, 366,326, of which number 8,612 were colored men. Florida contributed 1,044 colored men. There were actively participating in the civil war 186,017 colored men all told. The number enlisting from Florida alone was greater than the whole number of regular and volunteer enlistments throughout the states of West Virginia, Wisconsin, New Hampshire, Vermont, Maine, Minnesota, Texas and the then Territory of Colorado. The Nation's heroic dead sleep in seventy-nine National cemeteries, of which twelve alone are in Northern states. Gettysbury, Pa. has 1,967 known, and 2,721 unknown graves. The city of Philadelphia, Pa., has 1,909 sleeping in her depository. In all, the remains of near 300,000 men who fought for the stars and stripes, find guarded graves in our National cemeteries. At Andersonville, Ga., alone sleep 13,714, while at Salisbury, N. C, are 12,126 known, and 12,032 unknown dead. From this, the 'Land of Flowers,' 215 brave men offered their lives upon the country's altar, and God looks down and watches their dust till ere He bids it rise. Oh, the priceless bulk of blood and treasure! In contemplating it we must realize how precious is the boon of liberty, how symbolic the flag for which men died that it might not trail the dust. It must be that,

> Since night issues from the throne,
> Let light come from the tomb.

We come not to bury the dead, neither to praise the living, but to do reverence to the valor of both the dead and the living, who saved the life of the Republic from the very jaws of death; yea, reverence! Such is "A Soldier's Reward" Thou, therefore, endure hardness as a good soldier of Jesus Christ. To the victors belong the spoils. Even so hath the Lord ordained that they which preach the gospel should live off the gospel; yea, this a soldier's reward, both temporal and spiritual. Men will fight, will suffer and even die in defense of their ideas, their families and their country; then why not for the immortal welfare of the soul? "For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war after the flesh." For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God, our great commander. Again I exhort you as Paul did Timothy, "War a good warfare, holding faith and a good conscience." Like David, the boy, against the Phillistine giant, go forward in the name of the Lord of Hosts, the God of the armies of Israel, "take the name of Jesus with you, if you have sorrow, if your heart is filled with woe; it will joy and comfort give you, take it then wherever you go." Yea, christian veterans whose looks with age are silvered, whose forms with years are bowed, and whose brows time has furrowed—you have almost reached the last mile stone. Go forward in the salvation of your souls. "Fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on eternal life, for thou art called."

The Grand Army of the Republic is an organization honorable and honored by victories baptized in grape shot, shell, and the blood of martyrs on gory fields of civil strife, amid the thunder of artillery, boom of cannon, rattle of musketry, clash of swords, saber and bayonets, and the dying groans of brave men who fought for freedom's cause and the union to sustain. One foe is vanquished, another still remains. The hosts of sin are pressing hard to keep thee from the skies. Oh, watch, and fight and pray—the battle ne'er give o'er.

> Renew it boldly every day,
> And help divine implore.
> Ne'er think the victory won,
> Nor lay thine armour down,
> The work of faith will not be done,
> Till thou obtain the crown.

Yes, when we have fought the good fight, finished our course and kept the faith, there is laid up for us a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge shall give us at that day. When this corruptible body puts on incorruption, and this mortal immortality, then will death be swallowed up in victory. We will see no more the remnants of war—legless breeches, armless sleeves, orphaned little ones, and weeping, mourning widows. The Lamb of God shall wipe away their tears, and the broken hearts make the deaf to hear, the blind to see, and the lame man to leap like a child. The people will come up from the East, the North, the West the South; every tongue, every kindred, every tribe and nation. God shall wipe away their tears. He shall be their father and they shall be his children in the grand army of the Lord."

The congregation closed singing, "Am I a Soldier of the Cross."

Following up the sermon on Sunday night the Post with the Woman's Relief Corps, and Sons of Veterans observed memorial day on the 30th by a program at Jone's Hall on Main street as follows: Prayer by Post Chaplain; reading of orders by adjutant T. A. De Lancy; oration, by Hon. John Wallace, attorney; oration by Comrade N. H. Haines; singing by Mt. Zion A. M. E church choir; oration by Rev. Dr. C. A. A. Taylor; duet, "Rally Around the Flag," by little Misses R. Davis and D. Franklin; recitation, Miss Louise Taylor; oration, "Departed Friends," James Taylor; short, rousing addresses were also made by Rev. C. A. Middleton and Dr. A. W. Smith, M. D. After exercises at the hall they repaired to the old city cemetery where by loving hearts and hands the graves of heroes were strewn with flowers of May.

Returning to the Post Hall a grand banquet of good things was served by the handsome featured and beautiful hearted wives, daughters, and lady friends of the soldier boys. The national air at the cemetery in the parade and at the halls was played by the Welcome Cornet band. Others assisting or participating were: F. Hamilton, S. V, C. and Mesdames Virginia McQueen, Lottie Pinkney, Lilla Thomas, Sarah De Lancey, Harriet Dixon, Susie Smith, Rosa Pinkney, Isabella Slatton, Isabella Baker, Rebecca Bullman, and Mary E. Wallace, chairman, and others.

Notes From Normal.

Normal, Ala., Special.

The night school has a full attendance each night of the school, Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays. The students seem to appreciate the golden opportunities offered them. Aside from being a benefit to the students, it is a great help to the recent graduates who still remain on the campus, giving them a good, practical drill for the work in which some of them intend engaging next year. The prayer meeting last Wednesday evening was interesting as well as elevating. These meetings are usually conducted by the students themselves, led by some student of the Bible training class. The P. L. S. met Friday evening and proceeded to render a very good program. The feature of the evening however, was an address by Mrs. V. E. Thomas, our guest from Arkansas. Mrs. Thomas is an educator of high standing and an affluent speaker. She spoke at length upon the advantages and opportunities offered the Negro youth of the South and urged upon them to let no opportunity pass by unheeded that will have the least tendency to lift the individual or the race on a higher plane. She pointed out the numerous advantages given students at Normal, which is quite a contrast to those offered in Arkansas to the Negro. She dwelt forcibly upon the need of stability of character and purity of thought among our young women, pointing out to them the true elements of womanhood.

After the literary adjourned the evening social came on, when all enjoyed themselves in chatting, marching, singing and in different games. Sunday was passed quietly with the usual services. Mr. Donegan, business manager Huntsville Journal and Misses Fackler and McGill teachers in the public school of that city were out Tuesday to take in the beauties of Normal. Misses McGill and Fackler are graduates of Normal class of '89, and have been teaching ever since the year of their graduation. Normal is busily engaged preparing for the Atlanta Exposition. Every department will be represented.

The Question Solved.

MR. EDITOR.

The question has been asked why is it that the colored man does not accumulate wealth any faster? I will answer: "It is because we are too much divided. Let us notice and see how many clergymen, lawyers and physicians have gone out from the colleges of the South. There are 1,200 clergmen, 800 physicans, 200 lawyers. Now if our people would consider that we must love and help one another, if this number of clergymen, lawyers and doctors would preach and teach love and union we, as a race, could employ them and then we would be able to climb the hill of progress with more speed. May God impress this upon the readers that they will teach love and union.

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> To bring us the pleasures we're yearning,
> But the old pilot (fate) kismet, thinks best them destroy;
> Then to us they are ashes returning.
>
> There are those whom we warn of the folly of sin,
> Who our warnings and pleadings keep spurning,
> While our heart aches with dread when we cannot them win.
> For our care they are ashes returning.
>
> There are those on whom we lavish our love,
> And to us their love lamp seems burning;
> But ere long we find they've deceit in their trove,
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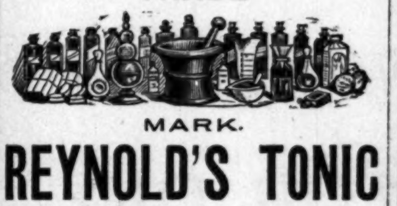

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CHAPTER V.

When I first commenced to visit the Capps I learned from Mrs. Capps and her three grown daughters that there lived in the neighborhood "a family of stuck up people," who had moved in from Virginia. I was told that they had a daughter about sixteen who never attended school, giving as her reason she knew more than any of the teachers. I laughed and remarked that I guessed that the school would pull through without her.

One morning after the school had been in perfect ruuning order for about a month, Lemuel remarked to me:

"Mr. Lee, I hear that Sallie Bright, the store keeper's daughter down at the cross-roads asked Lucy Bradley why she did not go to school, and she said that she knew twice as much as that young boy of a teacher from K——."

"Who is Lucy Bradley?" I asked.

"Why don't you remembor? She's the daughter of old man George Bradley of that stuck up family from Virginia that mother was telling you about. They live at the first farm the other side of the brick church on the court house road, just the other side of Uncle Joe Jarvis' house where you board."

"Well, Lucy Bradley would be a fool to attend a school where she knew more than the teacher. Nobody cares I am sure if she stays at home even if her statement is not true, as we have enough pupils without being bothered with any one who thinks herself better than the rest of the community, perhaps because she was born in Virginia."

I thought no more of the matter, but it seems that in some way, although they were not on speaking terms with the Bradleys, the Capps folks got word to the Bradley family that "Mr. Lee, the young gentleman what's teaching our school says that Lucy Bradley is a fool, and he is glad that such Vtrginia trash did not attend the school."

This made the Bradley family in general and Miss Lucy in particular hate me although they had never met me or I seen any member of their household to know them. After that I heard all kinds of bad things that the Bradley girl said about me, and often in anger I returned as bad as was sent.

"I would like to see this queen, Lucy Bradley, what does she look like Mrs. Capps?" I asked one Saturday after Lem's mother had recited to me the weekly report of what this fresh Virginia lass had said about me.

"I guess it'll be a long time 'fore you'll see her, Mr. Lee (and when you do you'll not see much) as they don't mix with colored folks; they go to the white folks' church—the brick church, and they's white folk's niggers. She's 'bout 16 years old and not quite as yaller is you is They think themself somebody 'cause they come from Virginy."

I made no reply, still the next day it reached the ears of Lucy Bradley that I said some very bad things about her. She in return was reported to have made some unlady-like remarks about me which caused me to hate a person I had never seen. I longed for revenge. About two weeks after Lem left school as I was returning from a visit to K—— one Saturday afternoon I overtook upon the road a strange colored man about seven miles from the Cedar Hill cross-roads and I asked him to get in the buggy and have a ride; at first he declined, but when pressed he jumped in. We chatted together upon the subjects of the day, and I soon learned that I had an educated, intelligent companion.

"You are a stranger about here, are you not, my friend?" I asked.

"Well, no, not quite; I have lived in the county for a few years."

"May I ask if you are married?"

"Oh yes," he replied with a smile.

"I am pleased to have met you, and would like to meet you again. Here is my card; my name is Lee; I am the Cedar Hill school teacher—do you know many folks in Cedar Hill?"

"Only one family, the Bradleys."

"Well, now tell me about the Bradleys, as I have heard so many unpleasant reports about them; are they as stuck up and bad as the Cedar Hill folks paint them?" I asked.

"I will tell you all I know about them, Mr. Lee: George Bradley came from B——, Va., about four years ago with his family of three girls, two boys and a wife. He sold his store, house and lot in B—— and, lured by an advertisement booming a place ten miles south of Backwoods court house, called White's Mill, moved there, and started to buy a piece of valuable timber land. Mr. White, a Northern man who had purchased a large tract of this land could not get a clear title, so he refunded the colored buyers' money, cut off all the wood, sold it, put the money in his pocket, and went back North. Bradley could not return to B—— without spending what little money he had, so he purchased a small farm in this township on the court house road just above the brick church, commenced to raise garden truck and work at his trade, that of a cooper.

His family found no association or social life in Cedar Hill as there was not an adult person of color who could read or write or hold a conversation upon any subject excepting country gossip, corn, cotton, tobacco or religion. The Bradleys are Presbyterians, and as there was no colored church of that faith nearer than K—— they attended the white church, and the colored folks of Cedar Hill at once prenounced them 'stuck up white folks' niggers.' They told all manner of falsehoods about them and tried to tarnish the names of the Bradley girls. Every school teacher that came to Cedar Hill heard falsehoods about this family, and some of the more recent ones have been reported to have said some unkind things about Lucy Bradley or her sisters upon the strength of idle town gossip without investigating the truth of the information received. This has made the family's lot a hard one, and the father contemplates selling out and moving to K——."

"He would be foolish to do that; let him stand his ground; I admire pluck; I must confess that having heard what I now truly believe was falsehoods about what Miss Lucy said about me, I have returned stone for supposed stone, and deeply regret so doing without testing the truthfulness of the stories I have heard but—"

"I am going to get out here," broke in the stranger as we neared the cross-roads. He jumped out before I could speak and after thanking me for the ride out through the woods and was soon lost to sight. It was then that I remembered that I had neglected to ask my companion his name.

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CURRENT EVENTS

At Wilberforce University, Ohio—President Cleveland's Reply.

Wilberforce, O., Special.

The Commencement of '95 is history—prophetic of a bright future. A week ago Miss Anna A. Lewis gave an exhibition of her work in elocution. Sabbath, the 16th, was Baccalaureate. A magnificent audience composed of Bishops, general officers, trustees and friends from near and far greeted President S T. Mitchell and his class of fourteen. Dr. Alex Crummell at night delivered a learned discourse full of truth and full of instruction. Monday a. m., field day sports were inaugurated. Over 200 enjoyed the exhibitions. At night the Sodalian Society held its anniversary. All day long trustees and visitors kept pouring in. Tuesday the University Board began its session. No other college in the world gathers annually so large and influential a body of colored men as at Wilberforce. They were here from New England, from Texas, from Florida, from Colorado, and from every section intervening, over 100 strong, constituting by their presence one of the great features of the Wilberforce Commencement. Never before did they so unanimously commend the work of the institution. They vindicated the management against all the aspersions which two trustees had given to the press a year ago. The faculty was re-elected and Prof. E. A. Clark, A. M, one of the most talented of our alumni was chosen to fill the chair of science, Prof. T. D. Scott having resigned. A fellowship was created to qualify for the professor's sphere. The very courteous reply of President Cleveland to the letter of President Mitchell was the source of outspoken gratification. A beautiful letter from Dr. Long president of Antioch college showed how deeply interested he was in the matter.

Tuesday evening gave us a magnificent lecture from Prof. W. H. Parham of Cincinnati on "The Coming Race." The professor is a well-known orator, and fully sustained his reputation. Wednesday was diversified with the Nurse Training exhibition under our efficient Dr. Sophia B. Jones. Class day exercises at 3 p. m., and annual rhetoricals and prize contests at 7:30 p. m. This is the most popular evening entertainment. Miss Alice Parham of Cincinnati, won the Derrick prize, and Warner White of Cambridge, the Rust prize. Commencement day opened with the booming of cannon, but the rain fell steadily and the extensive preparations in the campus had to be abandoned and exercises held in the chapel. The program at first delayed, was rendered without a flaw. Orchestral music of high order, with eloquent words of counsel from the President and with parchment honors, fourteen graduates were given to the world as follows:

Theological—G. B. Young, Waco. Tex., D. S. Moten, Winchester, Tex., J, P. Wallace, Brownsville, Pa., Scientific—C. J. Clark, Wilberforce, O, G. E. Masterson, Georgetown, O., J. E. Rickman, Baindridge, O, Geo. Washington, Xenia, O, Normal—Anna A Lewis, Oxford, O., Elizabeth Hall, Dayton, O., Carrie R. Otey, Lebanon, O., Alice B. Yenewine, New Orleans, La, Ruth A. Gaines, Chicago, Ill., Lizzie Merchant, Washington, O, and Sherman Newsome, Waverly, O. On Bishop B. T. Tanner of Philadelphia, Pa, and Rev. Alex Crummell of Washington, D. C., was confered the degree of L. L. D. On Rev. J. H. Jones, Columbus, O, Chaplain, Geo Prioleau, Ft. Robinson, Neb., and Rev Clinton, (A. M E.Z. church) the degree of D. D. On Prof. J. R. Gibson, Galveston, Tex, the degree of A. M., Prof. W. E. B DuBois had achieved one of the grandest victories for the race in bringing back from Harvard its degree of Ph. D. in the line of Political Science, the first of its class Harvard had ever conferred) The Judges awarded the Derrick and Rust prizes. To Miss Ada Gaines was presented a silk dress and $100 in gold by her elated father, Rev. G. W. Gaines, Chicago.

At 3 p. m. a most interesting anniversary was held by the Alumni Association. The pioneer class of '70 were all present and participated, Drs. Jenifer, Welsh and Jackson. Bishop Lee's opening address was delivered in his usual vigorous style. Bishop Arnett introduced Ohio's Ex-Governor, J. M. Ashley, of Toledo, O., author of the 13th Amendment, amid enthusiastic cheers. He spoke interestingly of Lincoln and the war. Mrs. Fannie Jackson DeHart (of Fisk Jubilee fame) rendered a solo with power. President Mitchell sang an original poem to the tune "Go bury thy sorrow."

A draft for $511 65 was announced, representing money raised in England by Miss Hallie Q Brown agent for the Douglass Library Hall. The Association is greatly encouraged. N. T. Gant, Sr., of Zanesville, O, sent to the desk by President Mitchell $100 in gold and this President Mitchell covered with another $100. Contributions and pledges brought the amount to over $1,000

Thursday evening the General Board of Education had an important session, Bishop Arnett, presiding. There convened also the District Board of Education, Dr. J. M. Henderson, of New York, was made president. The C. N. and I. Board of Trustees held its annual meeting. There were let numerous bids in the construction of Industrial Hall, which is already begun. Mrs. Sophia B. Jones, M. D., was selected to act as governess in Normal hall. Mrs. Carter is continued as Matron. Mr. E. Ward was elected janitor, Mr. Prattis having resigned. The Alumni Association held its business session Friday. Dr. L. J. Coppin, Dr. Phillip Tolliver and Prof. DuBois were elected honorary members. Rev. J. F. Hamilton and Mrs. May Smyth (Missionaries from Africa) addressed the Association and promised material support. The crowd was so large on Thursday while the regular exercises proceeded in the upper chapel, the learned writer and poet, Mr. Paul Dunbar, had an audience of over 200 in the lower chapel.

Masonic Celebration.

Muskogee, I. T., Special.

Last Monday morning at 11 o'clock representatives from all the F. A. & M. lodges in Indian Territory and Oklahoma met at the Muskogee Masonic hall. They paraded through the principal streets of the city led by the Webbers Fall colored brass band to the fair ground where a large crowd and all the barbecued beef, mutton and pork that could be expected awaited them. The procession was fully a quarter of a mile long and was one of the greatest colored Masonic exhibitions that has ever been in this city. Installation of the officers took place at 12 o'clock. After the installation of the officers, the great table, fully 75 feet long, was filled with barbecued beef, mutton and pork and not one went away hungry. The crowd was addressed by G. Ryles, P. E. of the Muskogee district, Rev. A. R. Norris, pastor in charge of the M. E. church of this city, Rev. W. H. Cole, Grand Master of Oklahoma and its jurisdiction, and Prof. L. E. Willis. After the speaking the Webber Falls and Muskogee base ball team crossed bats. The game was in favor of Muskogee.

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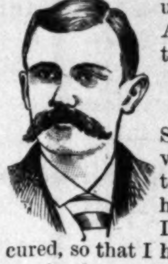

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As near as I can remember I was with my father in 1874 in Fayette county Texas, on the Brinica farm; his name is Judarn Miller; will be glad to know his whereabouts. Mother's maiden name was Julia Mitchell the daughter of Elizabeth Nunn. Jesse Miller, Operator, Postoffice Box 203, Ft. Bayard, N. M.

I would like to find my people. I was born near Hampton, Va. Owned by Lewis Davis. He had a brother named Robert Allen Davis. My mother's name was Patsy Reed, her husband was Bob Reed. I have two sisters some where, Becky and Caroline. I have one sister living in Virginia, her address is Sallie Curtis Hampton, Va. When I left my native home I was about nine and a half years old. A man bought me named Goodbah. He took me to Norfolk, Va., and put me in jail at night- He then took me to Richmond, Va., and sold me to Silas McHunder who sold me to Roberson in Mobile, Ala. He sold me to Judge Perkins in La. My two brothers were John and Frederick. John married a lady by the name of Jennie Payne. I married Harry Mead in Louisiana. He came from or near Petersburg. Va. Had daughter's Mary Liza Mead and Henrietta Mead Their mother was named Rosa Mead. Harry Mead was killed in Texas by a mob. Rosa and Millie were Harry's sisters. I would like also to know the whereabouts of Thomas Gatewood His mother was named Lucy Barber. They belong to Amstead Brooker on Hack river, four miles from Hampton, Va. If any one can give any information, please address Lucy Mead, or her son Sandy Anderson, Mineola Wood Co., Texas.

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AN EXCITED BISHOP.

Bishop Turner was thoughtful enough to forward us a marked copy of the "Voice of Missions" containing his letter to Dr. Derrick on "Our Recent Trip to Africa," accompanied with the following request, scrawled in his awful fist, at the bottom of the page:

"Read where I have marked; I mean all I have said; I am sure you will not be the dog. H. M. TURNER."

As our readers are no doubt anxious by this time to know what the Bishop "said," we regret that space forbids publishing his "say" complete, but after giving in his own graphic manner an account of the trial of Missionary Ridgel, the gentleman securing an acquittal, he thus reflects:

"So ends what has been a source of much vexation on both sides of the ocean, and nobody but a human dog will care to unearth the carcass, as I published for evidence in the case several weeks before I left for Africa."

We have no desire to be rated a human dog, accepting as authority and final, the pronounciamento of our gruesome and dyspeptic friend, but he may wager his hope for a blessed hereafter, that if in our judgment we should "unearth the carcass" the stinking thing we would—whether he should be pleased or not. THE FREEMAN is a journal with a BACKBONE, of opinion, and has no master that it tips its hat to, other than a desire to serve our race and country and to tell THE TRUTH regardless of who is pleased or offended. This whole Ridgel business from beginning to end is QUEER—it stinks, and we are not surprised at this churchman speaking of it as a carcass, and fairly begging that its temporary resting place be not disturbed. We say temporary, for the reason that this Liberian trial won't stand. The General Conference has yet to assemble, and will sit as a court of last and highest authority on the matter.

A DOUBTFUL COMPLIMENT.

It is not generally known that Boston has among her residents a daughter of the late J. C. Price; such, however, is the fact. The young lady's name is Ida E. Price, and she is residing at present out at 7 Second street, Everett. She is charming and prepossessing in manner and appearance, and has a graceful dexterity of movement on a ball-room floor not unlike that of speech, which her illustrous sire exhibited on the rostrum.—Boston Courant

In plain English sir stripped and shorn of effusiveness you have appropriated nearly a half a stick of your space to inform the world, that the late Dr. J. C. Price has a daughter who can dance. It seems to us, Sir Quixote you would have gratified the friends of Dr. Price in a more enduring sense, not to mention the lady herself had you recorded and called attention to the STERLING gifts and accomplishments possessed by the daughter of the brilliant Price. You are a queer wag of fellow sir.

A PAIR.

Colonel Dargan, of Sumter, S. C., an ex-confederate soldier who won his title, a representative of an old family and a man of high character, has become convinced that it is time the colored men in that State should be accorded the same rights as citizens that whites enjoy. He has had the courage to say so in his paper, the Sumter Freeman. Recently he went to Edgefield, the home of Governor Tillman, to advocate this line of action, now that a convention is to be elected to revise the Constitution. He was not permitted to speak, but was mobbed and driven out of town by "the best citizens of the neighborhood." Tillman is the Democratic Altgeld of the South.—Indianapolis Journal.

Yes and what a pity the American people will every now and then insist upon honoring such cattle. "Demb queer country, this sir, demb queer!"

As we have before remarked if the Negro goes up, he must "git up." See?

EVEN Georgia shows signs of swinging into the sound money line.

EVIDENCE is not wanting upon every hand that the solid common sense of the American people will save them from the free silver craze.

EDITORIAL space gone glimmering this week, the desires and pleasure of our friends you know must be conserved.

ROBERT LINCOLN for president and why pray you? We think it incontrovertible that the "his father's son" business is played out in American politics, or will be before Robert, the kid, is made president.

OUR own Governor Matthews, pleasing gentleman and adroit, could not escape the ubiquitous interviewer or didn't want to, on his recent eastern trip, and as a result, the following in the New York Times is causing a quiet ripple of laughter, accompanied with a "cuss" word here and there, all at the expense of the genial Governor. Said the Goveanor:

"I have noticed paragraphs in the paper to the effect that my visit here is for the purpose of holding interviews with the Eastern wing of the Democracy regarding the possibility of a Western man for the next Democratic presidential nomination, and that some of my admirers in the East have admitted that I am a presidential possibility. So far as the first portion of this statement is concerned, it is utterly devoid of truth. As for the second—well, I have not yet put up my lightning rod. I have no knowledge that the West has any particular candidate for the nomination, or that it has any favorite."

Picnic on the Fourth.

Lockland, O., Special.

Miss M. E. Carter left for Dayton, O., Sunday. A picnic was given at Strausburg Grove on the fourth. Mrs. C. S. Mitchell and mother left for Warsaw, Ky., last Monday. The church of Christ held a lawn Fete last Saturday night. Misses A. A. Gray Laura M. Johnson were elected delegates to S. S. Institute at Hamilton. Miss Lucy Derrickson attended the convention stopped over at Xenia, O., for a short visit to friends.

JOHN BROWN.

[From The Nebraska "State Journal."

States are not great,
Except as men may make them,
Men are not great except they do and dare;
But States like men,
Have destinies that take them,
That bear them on not knowing why or where.

The why repels,
The philosophic searcher,
The why and where, all questionings defy,
Until we find
Far back in youthful nature,
Prophetic facts that constitute the Why.

All merit comes
From Braving the unequal,
All glory comes from daring to begin.
Fame loves the State,
That, reckless of the sequel;
Fights long and well, whether it lose or win.

And there is one,
Whose faith, whose fight, whose failing
Fame shall placard upon the walls of time.
He dared begin,
Despite the unavailing;
He dared begin when failure was a crime.

When over Africa
Some future cycle
Shall sweep the lake-gemmed uplands with its serge
When as with triumph
Of the Archangel Michael
Culture shall bid a colored race emerge,

When busy cities,
Those in Constellations,
Shall gleam with spires and palaces and domes,
With marts wherein
Is heard the noise of nations;
With Summer groves surrounding stately homes

There fugitive orators
To cultured freemen
Shall tell of valor, and recount with praise.
Stories of Kansas
And of Lacedaemon.
Cradles of freedom, then of ancient days,

From Boulevards
O'erlooking both Nyanzas;
The stained bronze shall glitter in the sun.
With rugged lettering:—
"John Brown of Kansas;
He dared begin;
He lost,
"But losing won."

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We cannot say too much for Cleveland and her people. If anybody knows how to entertain, it is the Cleveland people. They are hospitable, they are pleasant, they are intelligent, they are smart. During my four days in Cleveland attending the National League Convention, we had a very pleasant session. Deeming ourselves the custodians of the party's honor, merely, we did not consider it our business to nominate candidates or foreshadow the policy of our next Republican National Convention, we therefore fought shy of these things. The convention stood on a sound money basis. We were called together for the purpose of becoming better acquainted with each other that we might work with more unity in the campaign.

The committee on reception furnished all the delegates with free tickets over the railroads, "The Key to the Situation," a boat ride twelve miles on the lake, a band of music accompanied the delegates, also many of the Cleveland people, which made it very pleasant. When we undertake to describe the banquet, the manner in which it was prepared, so elegantly and so artistically and in such splendor, we feel lost for words to express ourselves, however, we will make a feeble attempt.

As The Freeman man, escorted by friends entered the Arcade, which is a magnificent eight-story building running through from Superior street to Euclid avenue, I stopped for a moment and gazed and asked where I should take a seat. The ushers in spike-tailed coats said, "wherever you can get one, but down here they are all taken." This was on the first floor. I was surprised as I could not see anyone, but upon close examination, hid by banks of fragrant flowers of every hue, I could notice the heads of hundreds of "fair ladyes" and gallant gents. It took me back to my boyhood days, when I used to watch the bees kiss the sweet-lipped flowers, attracting the gaze of the idle passer-by. I saw two vacant chairs and here we took our seats. Everything that heart could wish or fancy yearn for, was spread before us. Ice cream and coffee were served after we were seated. A couple of ladies took their seats opposite us behind great bunches of carnations, roses, buds and cut flowers of every hue. I saw they were so numerous that I helped myself, while the ladies opposite made large bouquets for themselves. The menu was a very fine one, and the flowers waving about a foot above my head, it seemed to me that I was in the midst of all that heart could wish. The decorations were very beautiful, and as I noted the American flag, as it showed through the electric lights, with its brilliance and colors, its clustered stars, not a one dimmed or missing, I felt my breast thrill with a mighty patriotic impulse.

The intermingling of the diamonds and jewels and fine costumes worn by the ladies, the gentlemen in full dress suits, made a beautiful sight. By this time we had finished our magnificent dinner and I began to feel that I could very well say, "I was too full for utterance."

We then sought the lower floor so we could hear the speakers. We found seats a short distance from the speakers platform, by slowly working our way through the immense crowd The master of ceremonies was the finest speaker we ever heard, the Hon Mr. Hoyt. Among the prominent speakers were Gov. Evans, of Tenn., Senator Burris, of Michigan, and others, who were highly entertaining. We were also entertained at a banquet at the city hall by the Foraker Club. We were addressed here by Mr. Dancy, of North Carolina, Mr. Blunt, of New Orleans, and Senator J. P. Green. The welcome address was delivered by the Mayor. We also had a very able address by Mr. Taylor, ex-commissioner of Census, and others.

The next day we took a pleasure trip on the lake. We had music, and on the way out were addressed by Dr. George Bryant of Baltimore, Mr. Baker of Pennsylvania, and John Dancy of North Carolina. On the boat were gentlemen from all parts of the United States. On our return to the city, we took the street cars and went out on the beautiful Euclid Ave., which is said to be the finest avenue in the world. There are sixty-five millionaires living on this street. In this party were Mr. Williams of New Orleans, Mr. Wilson of New Orleans, Mrs. McFarland, Miss Cisco, Miss Stanly and The Freeman man. We went out to the cemetery, and here was presented a key to the monument of Garfield. We also went to see the funeral car of Garfield.

On Friday a company of us went to the Rock River Park. We had a very pleasant trip visiting the tunnel and different scenes. On Saturday morning the Freeman man took the boat for Detroit and the next morning when he awoke, he found himself on a beautiful lake, the sun was bright and the air clear and balmy. It was very fortunate that I took the boat on Saturday evening, as on the boat was one of Cleveland's prominent citizens, Mr. Eubanks, who gave me a card to Preston Jones, Esq., of Detroit, who made it very pleasant for me during my stay in the city. While in the city I put up at the Cataract Hotel. Mr. Jones introduced me to Mr. J. L. Hudson, a ten time millionaire, and we had quite a pleasant conversation with him. I went back to Mr. Jones' residence where a magnificent dinner awaited us. The table almost groaned from the weight of the good things upon it. After we had asked blessing from the Him who rules the destinies, we need not say what The Freeman man did. Mr. Jones has an estimable wife, one son and two daughters, who furnished us with music

Our first trip was to Canada, the first time I was ever out of the United States, in the great country of liberty where the Negro slave and fugitive found protection years ago. In Windsor we took the electric car for Sandwich, where we drank from the sulphur springs. We took a boat and went to Belle Island and had a very pleasant time.

Mr. Jones is one of the leading men of Detroit. He was for four years a city official and fulfilled the duties of the office with credit to himself and the race. He is at the present time manager of J. L. Hudson's barber shop, one of the finest in the city. I also had the pleasure of calling on Mr. Cheek, another one of Detroit's good citizens, and the Hon. D. Augustus Straker, one of the prominent judges of Detroit and a noted race man. He has made a success on the bench, and is respected by his fellow citizens.

Monday morning we took the boat for Put in-Bay, which was a very enjoyable trip. We arrived here at 12 o'clock. I had the pleasure of meeting an old Indianapolis boy at this place, Mr. Frazier, who did his best to make my stay pleasant. At 1 o'clock an excursion came over from Cleveland, laden down with the best of the Cleveland people. It was an excursion from St. Andrews church of that city. From Put-in-Bay we went to Bass Island. As The Freeman man stood on the bank, thinking there was no one who knew him, he beheld one of our estimable young ladies stepping from the boat, a teacher in our public schools, Miss Kittie Mann. It added to my pleasure to see some one I knew so unexpectedly, as I knew no one beside the newly made acquaintances among the Cleveland folks.

I went back to Cleveland and on the way home we had a very pleasant time. The ladies of the party spread a splendid luncheon and they had saved a half of a spring chicken for The Freeman man, as I suppose they knew he had a hankering in that direction The Freeman man was placed at the head of the table. We "fared sumptuously." At this luncheon I was introduced to a very pleasant friend by the name of Catawba Cobbler by Mrs. Benson.

The Cleveland people know how to entertain. They are void of all mock modesty and are very genial, a credit to any people, individually or collectively. Rev. A H. Lealtad is a very fine gentleman, a son-in-law of Mr. Benson, who is proprietor of the Weddell house barber shop. Mr. Benson has been appointed to an honorary position, as one of the trustees of a benevolent institutions of the state. Too much cannot be said of Mr. Benson and his estimable wife and family. Mr. Eubanks is head-waiter at the Weddell House, and one of the leading business men of Cleveland. He is the proprietor of the barber shop in the Canard hotel, and has a barber shop on Euclid avenue His wife conducts a very fine hair store also on Euclid avenue.

One incident that materially added to my pleasure in Cleveland was the meeting of the Hon. Harry Smith, editor of the Gazette and ex-member of the Ohio Legislature. I was a frequent visitor to his office. I had the pleasure of meeting quite a number of prominent Cleveland citizens. I also met Mr. George Meyers, of the Harlin; he is proprietor of a fine barbershop, and he not only stands high in the barber business but in politics as well. The Hon. Harry Smith has reflected credit upon himself, his state and the whole race.

Tuesday morning I was invited by Mr. Eubanks to the Weddell House to have breakfast. It is needless to say that it was a breakfast for the epicure, for anyone who knows Mr. Eubanks, who has been headwaiter at this place for twelve years, knows how nicely things are arranged under his care. After breakfast we went to his residence where his horse and carriage were ordered, and with Mr. and Mrs Eubanks and their son The Freeman man went for a drive over the city. We drove to the leading parks and to the lake front, and after we had taken in the principal parts of the city and points of interest, behind Mr. Eubanks fine steed we drove back to the Weddell house where dinner was served and awaited us. After dinner, at 1:30 I took the train for home.

I had rooms with Mrs. Roberts on Scoville avenue, and she and her estimable daughter did all in their power to make it as pleasant as possible for me. I also had the pleasure of meeting Mr and Mrs. J. L. Todd at their lovely residence on Lexington avenue.

GEORGE L. KNOX.

Can't Ride in Open Cars.

Paducah, Ky., Special.

Rodney Thompson died on the 25th. He was a member of the following Lodges, Paducah, Lodge No. 1545, G. U. O. of O. F., Mt. Zion No. 5, F. A. Court No. His funeral took place on the 26th at the Washington street Baptist church. Rev. G. W. Dupee officiating. C. H. Brooks, Grand Secretary of the United Order of Odd Fellows left for his home in Philadelphia, Pa., on the 28th. The managers of the Roland Line "Electric" will not allow colored people to ride on the open trailers. The excursion to St. Louis on the 5th of August, under the management of Mr. Bradshaw, H. B. Davis, W. H. Mansfield promises to be a big affair The school board have decided to give us a high school. The following teachers have been selected: High school, E. W. Benton, grammar school, T. D. Hibbs, W. H. Clark, Joseph Hamilton, G. W. Tanner, primary, Mrs. Ida Baker, Misses Belle Feech, Callie Houston, Sallie V. Buford, Maud P. Mansfield, Annie P. House, and Mary Leigh substitute. Wm. Clark, formerly of this city, but now of St Louis is still here. The pews and benches for the Washington street church have arrived. Subscribe for The Freeman, the best race paper in the United States.

OPEN LETTER

To Dr. James B. Henderson—"B. Square" Takes a Hand in The Battle Royal.

DR. JAMES E. HENDERSON,
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112 East Side Square.

MY LEARNED SIR:—The plot thickens, the villian still pursues (with a drawn sword of logic.) It seems hard to Ward off his blows, I have therefore entered the battle royal to knock and be knocked.

When I first commenced to read your "open letters" in The Freeman a few weeks ago I must admit that I was filled with jealous indignation. I wrongly concluded that some novice was trying to steal from me the self-assumed title of the great "Negro Humorist." Having, prior to January 4, 1894, been taking a seven year Rip Van Winkle literary sleep, I must truthfully admit that I did not know you. After I had read the first five of your "open letters" I changed my opinion and concluded that your letters were the preface to an advertisement of some new elixir; some medical compound the preparation of which you carried in your breast and patent of which you "toted" in your pocket. After waiting a week or so more I wrote to one of the "know-'em-alls" and learned, in the language of The Freeman, you were esteemed and learned, sir, one of our most "brilliant paragraphists." About the time this information reached me your famous "No. 10" was also at hand. I intended to reply to the same; before I found time to do so Joseph H. Ward's, Esq, answer was in print. I refrained from writing then as I am always in sympathy with the under contestant, whether he be biped, quadruped, insect or batrachian; but in looking over the pages of the issue of The Freeman of June 29th I got too near the whirlpool of debate and fell in. So here I am "deeply in it."

The subject you, or at least we, are discussing is an old, old one. It has perplexed the great minds of the race for at least two generations. It has been debated pro and con years ago, before many of us were born, and, like eternity, we are no nearer the end than when we first commenced. Forty-five years ago (before I was born) several leading colored men in Brooklyn, among whom was a self liberated uncle of mine, took offence at a local paper calling them "black men" as there were only five full blooded black known to be in the town at the time neither one of whom was at the Abolition meeting which gave use to the name. The next issue of the paper made an apology and styled the dark sages as Negroes, this only made matters "wusser." The paper then tried the old accepted term "colored men" with no better results and then gave up the fight. The debate in this section remained open for several years, when Mr. Robert Hamilton concluded he had the solution to the question. He started in New York City an Abolition journal and called it the "Anglo-African." The great dark men of the day flew to their Webster's and their Walker's and found out that "Anglo" meant English, that an Anglo-Saxon was an English Saxon, an Anglo-American an English American and hence an Anglo-African an English African. Their patriotic love for their country would not permit them to allow themselves to be called Anglo-Africans for, with all its faults they loved their country still. A correspondent of the "Anglo-African," who signed himself "Apple Blossoms" tried to compromise the matter by saying they were "African-Americans." Our dark skined fathers of greater New York rejected this term—perhaps, I have no doubt, because the term lacked euphony The "Anglo-African," however lived on battling our wrongs for ten years, 1858 to 1868, without change of name, a power in the land. "The-what-are-we" was waged on, getting at times quite hot, until a few years ago when a distinguished man of color from the Republic of Hayti, speaking in Baltimore, called us "Afro-Americans," a term which seemed to take with our journalist. Now, dear doctor, where are you going to place a man with only one half, one-fourth, one-eighth, or one sixteenth Negro blood in his body? The white folks (when they find it out) push him over on the black side of the line. You, or at least we, I forget I was "in it," can't push him back because the whites are in the majority six to one. The poor fellow does not want to stand on the line He would constantly ask "where am I at?"

Speaking seriously, however, the term "Negro, colored or Afro-American" has been given to us by the Europe-Americans who, in this country, are in a large majority. It is given to every man known to have one drop of Negro blood in his body. What are we going to do about it? I ask in the language of Boss Tweed. Anything or nothing. Logic and reason echoes back nothing. There are graver questions of the day at stake. It matters not whether the late Hon. Douglass, Dr. Williams, Hon. Bruce, etc., etc., were or are Negroes, suffice it to know that they were or are classed as such and made their mark of this classification or ruling. There are hundreds of Americans known above "the common herd" who, were they not classed as Negroes would die unhonored and unsung. As Negroes a great many of us are giants, as men a large portion of us are pigmies—let you, me and the rest of us "great" Negroes praise the mule that "toted" us thus far towards fame, if not fortune. Let us remember that it is not what we are called but what we are; not what we are but what we will or can be. Let us remember:

"Honor and shame, from no condition rise
Act well your part, there all the honor lies."

Let us remember that we are Americans to the manor born, the children of an oppressed race. Let us try to improve the condition of our country in general and our race in particular, let us remember that we are men and therefore interested in all that interest men. Let us stop debating foolish, childish and useless questions; let us battle for the God given and constitutional rights of an oppressed race; let us loose sight of self in the fight for the many. Let it be said when we die that the world has been blessed by our having lived in it.

"And departing leave behind us
Foot prints on the sands of time."

Let those of us who are, or think we are leading lights, let ourselves so shine that we will illumine the pathway of those in darkness. Let us follow the injunction of our Sunday School boy day:

"Dare to do right, dare to be true
You have a work that no other can do,
Do it so proudly, so bravely, so well
Angels will hasten the story to tell."

Yours for the progression of the race.

B. SQUARE.

Brooklyn, N. Y.

CLOSING OF THE NORMAL

The Teachers Addressed—Local and Personal Mention.

Newport, Ark., Special.

Prof. Barker, Mrs. Gilbert Owens, Misses Huncle Dupew and Belle Williams visited the Normal Friday. Tuesday night at the St. John's Baptist church Judge M. M. Stuckey addressed the colored teachers; his subject was "The Ideal Teacher." Dr A. J. Fletcher of Jacksonport also addressed the teachers on the subject of "Hygiene." Monday night Prof. King A. Scott and wife entertained a few of the teachers. Those in attendance were Prof Craiger, Miss Edmonia Nelson, Prof. Henry Avant, Miss Hattie Turner, Prof. H. H. Sutton, Misses Mary Cooper, Sophronia Riggs and The Freeman representative. Rev. G D. P. Rucker read a paper on the subject of elocution as taught in the public school, to the Normal students Tuesday afternoon. Wednesday evening the students of the Normal tendered a reception to Prof. Henry T. Avant. A reception Thursday night was tendered the teachers by Miss Louisa Wooley. Besides the teachers there were in attendance, Misses Irene Hamilton, Belle Williams, Ivory and Georgia McDonald, Carrie Warren, Georgia Bell, Messrs. P. S McEwen, William Gatewood, James Standback, Joseph Washington, James Waterford, Nathaniel Ball, Christopher Brown, Thomas Johnson, and Prof. Lowe. Friday, last day of Normal, the entire day was devoted to examinations. At night the students rendered a well prepared program at St. John's Baptist church. The program was closed with a discussion, subject, "Resolved, That Women Should be Allowed the Right of Suffrage." The negative won.

Miss Ida Tallery passed through our city Thursday morning en route to Batesville. Many of the teachers departed for their respective homes Saturday morning Miss Comfort E. Baker made a flying trip to Diaz last week. Prof. Henry T. Avant will leave for Helena Sunday. James Wash and Miss Bettie Lowe were married Thursday night. James Johnson and Miss Ella Dupins were married Sunday evening, Rev S A. Moseley officiating. William Anderson and Miss Emma Murphy were married Tuesday night. Rev G. I. Lowe was in the city, the guest of Rev. T. S. Johnson who is conducting a revival. Misses Florida Neely, Lena and Cornelia Black visited Searcy recently. Married: James Murphy and Miss Nethie Jones of Jacksonport. Rev. J. K. P. Stones has returned from Weldon. Rev. W. O. T. Watkins and wife of Batesville attended the Normal. Prof. Wm. T. Turner of Searcy visited his sister Miss Hattie O. Turner. Miss Nettie Munn has returned from Tuckerman Miss Minnie Holly of Pine Bluff was here. Messrs. Gilbert Owen and P. S. McEwen visited the Normal recently.

Re Union Mass Meeting.

Carbondale, Ill., Special.

Not long ago Aaron E Malone, our representative, was elected principal of the Murphysboro school at a salary of $40 per month, for a term of eight months It was rumored among the Afro-Americans of Murphysboro that Malone was a kid about sixteen years old, So they held a mass meeting for the purpose of compelling or asking the board to give them an experienced and older man for their principal, just about this time Malone carried his (old) face to the brothers and conversed with them, and they soon saw that Malone was wearing an old wrinkled head, which indicated thirty-two years more or less and a variety of experience, The Southern Illinois soldiers and sailors will hold their reunion here in September. James M. Robinson, of Metropolis, set up an order of Golden Links here on the 1st, twenty-four were degreed. Last Sunday was rally day at the Missionary Baptist church, they raised $93 26.

The Freeman Scribe on His Travels.

EDITOR FREEMAN:

Since our last communication to you, we have visited every important town between L. R. and Texarkana on I. M. Railway. After "doing" Texarkana to our entire satisfaction, we left that city Saturday afternoon June 15th, over the Iron Mountain Route for Hope, a thriving little city of 2,500 souls thirty-two miles North of Texarkana. Arriving in Hope at 4:30 the same afternoon. We began to look out for hotel accommodotions but fortunate for us, we met Mr. E. W. Stafford, a fine young man who invited us to be his guest during our stay in Hope. We readily accepted Mr. Staffords cordial invitation, and were made to feel at home. Shortly after our arrival, we began in our usual way making new acquaintances and learning all we could about the new field in which we were about to wage a campaign for The Freeman. Misses Tellington and Maxwell rendered us some valuable assistance, and it would seem ungrateful in us not to appreciate their many kind favors in behalf of The Freeman. They are, indeed, a credit to the community in which they live. We had the pleasure of meeting and forming the acquaintance of Prof's Yerger and Green, two of the most prominent Educators in South Arkansas. Besides being principle of the city High School Prof. Yerger owns a considerable amount of real estate.

We witnessed a grand literary entertainment given at the Baptist church Tuesday night June 18th, under the management of Prof. Yearger. The program was well rendered, and reflected much credit on Prof. Yearger. He left nothing undone in order to make the entertainment a success. The essay by Miss Katie Wesley, and the recitation by Miss Sarah Haynes would have been highly appreciated by any intelligent audience. Mr. T. A. Maxwell was authorized by us to receive subscription for The Freeman at Hope, Ark. Thursmorning June 20th, we left Hope for Prescott, arriving at Prescott about 9:10 a. m. Prescott is a beautiful little town of 1,500 inhabitants 50 percent of which are colored. The colored people in this little town own a considerable amount of property, and as a general thing they are industrious and economical. It was our pleasure to meet Elders Jones, and Williams, who promised us that they would see after the interest of The Freeman. These two prominent divines are intelligent men and have the confidence of their congregations. Sunday June 23rd, we made our debut in Camden, Ark., over a branch of the Iron Mountain Railroad. Camden is a beautiful city about 4,500 inhabitants, situated on the Ouachita River, and is reached by Cotton Belt and Iron Mountain routes. Camden is a historic city and has many attractive features. Since our arrival we have been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. C. B Wallis, one of the most prominent families in the city. Mr. Wallis is a dear lover of the Freeman, and spared no pains in making our visit a success. Among those of our race who are in business we take pleasure in making special mention of Miss B J. Jaggers, W. S. Smith, C H. Randall, A. Kauffman, Wesley Smith, M. H. Hawkins and D. C. Gatlin. Altogether our visit to this city was a pleasurable as well as a profitable one.

GRANT S. NEAL,

Camden, Ark., Special.

Did you Notice our "MID-SUMNER ANNOUNCEMENT," First Page? Like Abou Ben Adhem,

* * → THE FREEMAN Loves its Fellow Men, and Leads all the Rest. ← * *

MY LIFE AS I REMEMBER IT—AS SLAVE AND FREE MAN!

COMPILED, ARRANGED AND WRITTEN BY MYSELF GEORGE L. KNOX.

CHAPTER XXIV.

As time went by Mr. Riley passed from boyhood to young manhood, he was frequently away from the town at long intervals, coming back periodically to visit us. We were always glad to welcome him. He had grown to be a pronounced local celebrity. My shop was a great place to catch the farmer dialect. There Mr. Riley received many of his first impressions and training in that direction. During the years that he had made my shop off and on a place of resort, etc , he had little by little mastered the broad farmer dialect prevalent at that time and discovered in the speech of most of the old settlers. Having a keen sense of the ridiculous, and fine powers of delineation, he already gave abundant signs of the great gift that has since made his name a household word everywhere

As I contemplate Mr. Riley now, view him in the full fruition and maturity of his genius, I can understand how little many of his neighbors and early associates realized they were harboring one of the world's famous singers in embryo, but for some reason or other, intuitively, I away back in those early years had a feeling and a belief that he was destined to write his name amongst the princely few and pluck a garland of immortelles for his deserving brow, yet it may be that even I did not dream how strong was to become his hold upon the admiration of the world. I believe I have called the attention of my readers previous to the fact that he was somewhat of a painter—a sign painter, etc., and I may add now that frequently I found him of service as a decorator of the shaving mugs that ornamented and did service in my modest institution, he receiving for his skill in that direction 35 cents per mug, for which there never was a time he did not seem duly grateful and appreciative. He was frequently the subject of the petty envy of his associates who were not blessed with an accomplishment that would begin to bring them so much money. Without any special understanding to that effect, it may be perhaps well enough for the purpose of history to state that during five years, in return for the many services rendered in the line of his trade, I kept him "shaven and shorn" without price or remuneration save as he paid me in the manner indicated above.

I nicknamed him Mr. Jones and we played at imagining that he was a rich farmer of eccentric ideas, and fixed impressions of his importance and standing as a tiller of the soil. I would frequently say to him: "Well, Mr. Jones, how does it happen that you are in town so late to-day," and he would reply in the dialect of the Hoosier farmer, accompanied with the peculiar nasal twang that have made his recitations famous—"Wal, I kum into teown today, intendin' to go right back as soon as possible, and what did they do but pop me on the jury first thing. I put up at the tavern and there was so much noise about I couldn't sleep, so I got up about 4 o'clock this mornin' and bought me a cegar—two fer five you know—they last longer. I kum over to git a shave; how much do you ask for a shave, George." I would say ten cents. "Now, that's too much; I'll give you five cents for a shave."

GEORGE L. KNOX.

He had an imaginary son by the name of Will, and in reply to my question he would say: "That boy has gone to the dogs. He's no good; he's gone out West and is goin' to make a cowboy of hisself." He would speak discouragingly and I would say, "Well, Mr. Jones, that boy will take care of himself after all; he's a chip of the old block." "Yes, I guess he'll manage to take keer of hisself. That boy's as sharp as a steel trap; they can't fool him, when you kum to think about it; he'll keep buckle and tongue together; I understand he'll do well out thar; he'll keep his end up; he got to dealin' in fast hosses, and spends his money; he's gone to the dogs; I guess he's got that gray hoss yit—I spose you've seen him 'round town; he's a fast hoss—guess he'll trot it in 2:40; now that's purty fast for a hoss to go, eh George? I expect thar's a woman mixed up in it too; thar giner'ly is, yer know. But that boy kin spend money! He's spent all he's goin' to git frum me; I spose the ole woman gives him some—just like a woman—his mother, yer know. Anyhow, first thing yer know he's in town. I believe he's got a hoss entered in the Greenfield fair; I guess he'll take first money out there—just like him."

"Well, Mr. Jones, I understand you have lost your wife."

"Yes, George; lost her better'n a year ago—my fourth wife—and the wust was she died right in the middle of harvest, and she could beat anybody at punkin pie—finest the crow ever flew over."

"Mr. Jones, I understand now what takes you to town so often. I see you over there on State street; hear you are courting the rich widow on State street, is that so?"

"Now, George, who told yer so;"

"Well, I can see, I can see; she's pretty well off too."

"Well, George yer know I don't keer anything 'bout her money; I've got plenty myself, but I am land poor, land poor, George; taxes is eatin' me up."

"Yes, Mr. Jones, I understand you have plenty of money, lots of land, and money in the bank. You understand your business; you know what you mean."

"Yes, George, yer know I don't care anything 'bout her money, but she's worth $40,000, and it is all in her own name too, eh?"

After Mr. Riley had attracted the favorable notice and attention of one or two of the great periodicals, and had made a great hit in Boston and New York, and the Indianapolis Journal had taken him up and pointed with pride to the fact, and dubbed him the "Hoosier Poet," it was not difficult to find his old neighbors and associates on all sides, who in former years had sneered at him, spoken derisively of him and declared him no good, and rather ridiculed and discounted my fidelity to him upon the ground that I was wasting my friendship upon an individual who was unappreciative and would never amount to anything—ready to applaud and laud him to the skies. All at once they remembered that he was a "purty good fellow," that when he was a boy he was "purty smart," "that Greenfield had a right to be proud of him," "he is our poet, our Riley," would be chirped from a hundred mouths as periodically news would reach us of the achievements and of the fame he was fast gathering to himself. I cannot deny that at this time I was filled with a fine glow of satisfaction. I realized with pardonable exultation that I had made no mistake in my diagnosis of the uncouth apparently worthless, lazy, lounging boy, as he appeared during the early years of my acquaintance with him.

Neither did I hesitate or fail to remind his now enthusiastic supporters and admirers and predicters of these things, frequently causing them to expostulate or attempt to explain and some times to bow their heads with shame, when they were compelled to acknowledge that had I listened to them on more than one occasion, instead of encouraging him, throwing a dollar here and a dollar there in his way, making him welcome in my humble business home, I would have driven him as I was compelled to drive, on divers occasions, others of the "bad boys" of the town from my shop In reply to their "I told you so's," I' did not fail to remind them that they did not have to tell ME so, for I first and always claimed that given an opportunity he would make his mark and be an honor not only to Greenfield but to all the great State of Indiana.

As an incident, valuable only as affording a contrast of the length and breadth of his fame as compared to what it is to-day, I recall a discussion that took place one day concerning his growing importance as a poet. There were all kinds of opinions expressed and declarations made. One man said that he was the greatest poet in the United States and had no equal, which declaration was met by perhaps as wild a one, and surely a more ridiculous one, by a young lawyer named McLow, now living in the west and enjoying a splendid practice. Said the young limb of the law who by the way was quite witty, and concealed beneath his youthful visage was a vein of humor and a sense of the ridiculous, "I know one thing—I know that this man Riley is the greatest poet in Center Township," a truth that the years have amply verified and that now can be said with equal truth of many townships and many states If it would be, perhaps too much to say of Mr. Riley:

> "That he has touched his harp,
> And nations heard entranced."

It must be admitted, and I enjoy a special and peculiar pleasure as I take up my pen to write, that he has garnered to himself a distinction greater than any previously or now accorded to Indiana's sons and daughters, regardless of a conservative, and it may be a biased judgment that as yet, has denied him admission in America's select circle of singers, graced with the genius of the Longfellows, the Lowells, the Whittiers of the age which closed with the death of Holmes. That he is destined to ascend still higher the "mount of song" is a most rational supposition. Mr. Riley has, however, not escaped in his individual self, aside from the tribute freely and enthusiastically accorded him as a poet, reflections unpleasing to contemplate. Many of his oldest friends, neighbors companions and playmates of former days, who ate with him, if not the bread of indigence, at least shared with him the shades of obscurity, complain of an evident spirit upon his part to no longer encourage their familiar friendliness.

As if he would emphasize the fact that fame and distinction had overtaken him, they profess to note a spirit of exclusiveness about him, and an evident desire to "flock alone" with himself despite the ties of other days, and the claims of friendship sanctioned by years of association. Once he was plain "Jim" Riley with the friendly nod, the genial smile, the hearty grasp of the hand in stock at all times, and for every one. Now he is JAMES WHITCOMB RILEY, the "Hoosier Poet," the brilliant and sought after man of elegant letters, who has evidently forgotten the depths from whence he arose, and those who encouraged him in ascent. Without expressing an opinion pro or con, the reflections of Hamlet, "This is a mad world, Horatio," comes vividly to my mind.

[TO BE CONTINUED.]

Elected Officers.

Poplar Bluff, Mo., Special.

The Knights of Tabor had their semi annual election on the 24th ult., as follows: Lewis Wyatt, C. M., Edward Hainline, V. M., I. Simpson, C. S., Peter Marten, A. S., Stephen. Burphett, C. O. George W. Melon, C. B. B, A. Herring, O. D. M., W. P. Clemmons, C. T., A Gatlin, Jno. Clay and Robert Donipham, Jr, C. G's. Robert Donihan, Sr., C. St. Mr. John Roberson moved to his new residence in North Poplar Bluff, on the 25th ult. Dr. J. E. Henderson has removed to the residence formally occupied by John Roberson. David Johnson, Cape Girardean, Mo., arrived in the city on the 25th and left on the 27th ult. Mr. McEagles, of Neelyville, Mo., was in the city on the 25th and 26th. Mr. H. D. Russell and Mr. A. Guest are sick. Mr. Jas. Almond and brother arrived in this city on the 2th ult. Mr. H. M, Favell returned from Cape Girardean and Elder W. B, White from St. Louis on the 27th ult. Mr. Ben Gwinn died on the 27th. His remains was sent to his old home at Commerce, Mo. Adam Gwinn, his son, returned on the 28th enroute to Commerce, Mo., to attend the funeral of his father, Miss Savannah Baily rendered some sweet vocal music at her residence on the 28th ult. Little Master Gus Caine left this city on the 29th for Black Rock, Wm. Gwinn and Birtie Gwinn arrived in this city from St. Louis, Mo., on the 29th. Wm. Gwinn left for Commerce, Mo., to attend the funeral of his father.

Personal Mention.

Cobden, Ill., Special.

C. N. Denton is shipping blackberries and peaches this week. Mrs. Mattie Reeves, of Cairo, is visiting Mrs. James Horton, Miss Jane Johnson, of Carbondale, was the guest of Miss Nancy Rollins the past week. C. L. Kirkpatrick has a fine crop of Irish and sweet potatoes. L. N. Starks, who is in the detective service of the I. C , R. R., passed through this place last Wednesday on his way South. Prof. C. A. Blankiship visited Jonesboro and Anna last Thursday and Friday.

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The Negro in Business—More of a Factor Than is Generally Credited—Yet Not so Potent as Numbers and Wealth Demand—Some of the Foremost Institutions—Co-operation on the Increase—Our Standing in the Industrial World—Live Investments for Capital—Statistics and Suggestions—The Outlook for the Future.

BY RICHARD W. THOMPSON

When a noted economist once declared that if America should awaken some fine morning and find that during the night the earth had opened and swallowed up every Negro business enterprise in the land, it would not cause a ripple in the commercial circles of the nation, he gave expression to an opinion, frequently voiced by many well-meaning, but superficial observers of our own race. It is lamentably true, that, compared with the wealth and scope of Caucasian enterprise, the Negro appears scarcely more than a cipher; but, making the fairer comparison of his present status with that of thirty years ago, the honest statistican will be willing to place a very respectable numeral to the left of the cipher and thus create a total to which the race-loving colored man may point with no slight degree of satisfaction.

The fact remains, however, as creditable as our showing in trade may be—under the circumstances—it is not, by any means, what it should be, nor what it could be, by the exercise of a proper spirit of thrift, energy, courage, confidence, and co-operation. This is especially true of Washington. There are numerous business establishments here, operated by colored people, representing, individually, very modest investments, 'tis true, but aggregating a larger figure than many imagine. THE VOLUME OF BUSINESS transacted, however, is surprisingly small, considering the magnitude of the Afro-American population, 85,000 people, from which may be estimated fully 17,000 families, must necessarily handle an immense sum of money, annually, and that so little finds its way into the coffers of Negro tradesmen, is not far from a burning disgrace. No sensible, broad-minded man will advocate a policy of racial antagonism, which suggests that all Negroes go to Negro business houses exclusively, nor separate themselves from all trade communication with the Caucasian race, and thereby draw the absurd color line, with increased rigidity; but it will be agreed that if more colored men of capital and influence—such as Washington affords in more than ordinary abundance—would invest their funds in live business enterprises, instead of tying it up almost wholly in real estate, and go into the open market, well equipped for competition with the best, the commercial stock of the race would take a long bound upward, and our material welfare, would be enhanced beyond computation. The creditable employment that could thus be given the young men and women of the race would be a most gratifying feature of the situation Something must be done to relieve the present congested condition of affairs, glutting the scholastic professional arenas, and providing no outlet for the business capacity, industrial skill or inventive genius of the masses. This is a serious problem to which the thinkers of the race are slowly, but wisely beginning to address themselves. In this city Mr. A. F. Hilyer, at the head of the Union League, is doing some very effective work in crystalizing sentiment in the direction indicated.

SOME OF THE LEADING ENTERPRISES.

The colored people in a greater or less degree are represented in an endless variety of trade ventures, from banking and insurance, to the wandering purveyor of clams or a garden truck. There are two banks, the Capital and the Alpha, with aggregated deposits running into the millions. John R. Lynch, formerly Fourth Auditor of the Treasury, is president of the former, and Col. M. M. Holland is at the head of the latter. The Capital Savings bank owns a large building on F street worth $30,000. The Industrial Building and Loan Association is a prosperous organization, and has built a number of good homes for its members. Louis H. Douglass is its president, and Henry E. Baker, secretary. The Alpha Life Insurance company is a standard institution and produced a cash capital of $10,000 before being permitted to do a dollar's worth of business in the District. It gives employment to persons at fair remuneration. It is officered by Col. M. M. Holland as president, and J. W. Cromwell as secretary. There are two Steamboat companies, the National and the People's Transportation company. They operate two of the finest excursion boats to be found between Baltimore and Norfolk. The "George Leary" was purchased outright this spring by the first named company for $85,000, and the "Jane Mosely" is being rapidly paid for by the People's. Both are already doing an immense picnic business with the various lodges and churches. Messrs. D. D. Webster, F. D. Lee and R H. Key, are largely interested in the National company, while J. W, Patterson Misses M. L. Jordan and M. E. Wilson control the active operations of the People's Transportation company. Of the many journalistic enterprises projected here in the past two decades, only one now survive, THE COLORED AMERICAN, an illustrated weekly. It was started about two years ago by Edward E. Cooper, an energetic young newspaper man from Indiana, and his hustling methods have done much to revolutionize all previous attempts in that line. The American has a large circulation, and is well edited. There are eight drug stores, five hotels, eight undertakers, six job printing establishments, and innumerable restaurants, groceries, coal yards, barber shops and saloons. It is estimated that there are not less than 800 business establishments. Besides these the records show six dentists, seventeen lawyers, twenty-seven physicians, about 200 carpenters, 150 brick masons, 100 plasterers, 100 painters and several reliable contractors There are plenty of note brokers, real estate dealers and claim agents.

The boarding house is very much in evidence and lead all the rest in number, for they involve less capital, less risk, and the work of management is such that any ordinary housekeeper can perform it, and still have a share of leisure. As to grade they vary all the way from the kind that serve ossified steak, gravel pie and hickory sandwiches, up to the high-toned establishment where the luscious roe shad, terrapin, pote de foie gras, strawberry short cake, etc., are specialties. Alhough five "hotels" are here enumerated, not one of them could be justly designated first-class, even by the most charitable chronicler of the city's resources, and it is a source of wonder to every stranger who sees the vast amount of transient and regular custom that might be secured, that some enterprising, public spirited capitalist does not establish a hostelry with all the modern improvements, that would be a model of its kind. Washington offers an inviting field for such an investment, conducted by the right man and in the right way.

A business symposium was recently held at one of the churches, which was addressed by authorized representatives of the several leading institutions, Their reports indicated a most promising outlook for the future. Properly directed agitation is bringing forth fruit, and the encouraging spread of the fraternal combination spirit, the growth of confidence in the commercial capacity of the race, coupled with manifold natural advantages, plainly point to an era of unexampled prosperity and development for the Afro-American of the National Capital.

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Open Letter No. 13.

To me, since arriving at the years of maturity and giving the subject serious thought and most careful consideration, it is a matter of wonder and amazement that people of mixed blood, approaching in countless instances, so nearly the pure Caucasion type that no one could possibly detect Negro contamination should be content to rest under the sobriquet of Negro. Many people so denominated haven't a trace of genuine Negro blood in their veins being a mixture of Caucasion and Indian. It is almost as silly and nonsensical to call people Negroes so mixed with the blood of other races that physical and other characteristics which unmistakeably proclaim Negro origin are obliterated as it is to call the progeny of Caucasions and Indians Negroes. The Negro has done very little to establish his right to a position among other races of men. I deliberately affirm, even if I bring down on my head the anathemas of all the pure blooded Negroes in the country, it is a race designation fraught with very little in the world's history but ignorance, superistition, degradation, misery and woe. Those so classed being so heavily handicapped that to efface the well nigh indelible stain, to remove the vile stigma, the accursed opprobium, ages of heroic, manly efforts resplendent with grand achievements will be required. The Negro can take very little credit for the intellectual, moral or financial status of fully nine-tenth of the men and women in this country who have made their mark and who are so unceremoniously dubbed Negroes. If the past has added very little to his claim for intellectual, moral and physical equality, if the living present is almost barren of results adequate to establish the claim, common sense and respect for the proprieties as well ought to suggest the advisability of keeping his mouth shut. He should not emphasize his own lack of genuine ability, and manly, noble qualities by covertly or openly appropriating the honors, glory and achievements of others.

Haven't had time yet! He has had as much or more time than any other race of men, for I firmly believe, being an evolutionist, and one of the strictest of the sect, that the Negro is primeval, original, primitive man. Let the simon-pure Negro make the name honorable and luminous with glorious and grand achievements. Let the people of mixed blood cling tenaciously to the rich legacy of brain, grandeur and glory bequeathed them by their ancestors, and now henceforth encircle their brows with honor and glory, radiant as the scintillating evening star, effulgent as the beaming noon-day sun,

JAS. E. HENDERSON, M. D.,
112 East Side Square. Springfield, Ill.

P. S. I write this for benefit of those sufficiently intelligent to think and reason, not for intellectual Lilliputs and brainless pated nincompoops. DR. H.

A Centenarian Converted.

Shreveport, La , Special.

Aunt Mary Johnson, who is 103 years old, was converted on the 14th and baptised on the 16th at the Galilee Baptist church. Miss Maria Stewart died on Murphy street Saturday, the 22nd. Her funeral was conducted by Rev. Dr. A. M. Newman, of Antioch Baptist church, Sunday 23rd. Tonny Turner and Miss Mary Graham were married at the K. of P. Castle Hall on the 18th. Rev. I. W. Henderson, of St. James M. E. church officiated. James Thomas the barber, is again at work. The A. F. and A. M. Mount Lebanon Lodge, No. 120 celebrated its annual sermon at St. James M. E. church, Sunday 23rd, at 3 p. m. Mrs. Harriet Houff died at her resident June 24th. Walter McMillian, the young colored porter at Jordan A. Booth's gents clothing store, makes deposits in the Commercial National bank. There was a boy baby found at Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Huntleye's house on the 25th. The closing exercises of Miss M. A. E. Thomas' acadamy was held in the basement of St. Pauls M. E, church. Three were graduates of St James M. E. church: Misses Jennette McMillian, Hattie Freeman and Susie P. Legardy. H. James and Wm. Harper made speeches.

PROGRAM.

Welcome address by president; Trio, Misses Susie Legardy, Hattie Freeman and John H. Patterson; Recitation, Miss Susie Cole; Declamation, Spencer Whitehead; Select Reading, Miss Virginia Thompson; Recitation, Miss Rebekah McElroy; Essay, Mrs. L. Allen, Jr.; Recitation, Mrs. Susie Mix; Select Reading, Miss Douglass McKinney; Music; Essay, Mrs. Jane Aaron; Recitation, Miss Luella Murdock; Solo, Miss Julia Gibson; Essay, Miss Minnie Lee; Recitation, Eizado O'Neil; Essay, Miss Jeanett McMillen; Oration, Addie Hall; Debate, "Resolved that the invention of labor saving machines has proven beneficial to mankind," Affirmative 50 points, Negative 46 points. R. H. Bale, Douglass McKinney, W. H. Flynn, News Summary, J. H. Whaley, Samuel Allen, James Wiley, H. W. Duncan, W. H. Flynn critic. Refreshments.

UNDER THE NUPTIAL BOWER.

Full Particulars of the Barnett-Wells Wedding.

Thursday evening June 27th at 8 o'clock there was solemnized at Bethel church the marriage of Miss Ida B. Wells to Mr. Ferdinand L. Barnett The church was crowded with the friends of the contracting parties and the I. B. W. Woman's club under whose auspices were the arrangements.

While Miss Gertrude Jackson played Lohengrin's wedding march, the bridal party formed at the north east door. First came the two bridesmaids, Misses Annie and Lilly Wells, the bride's sisters, who were beautifully attired in lemon colored crepe, white ribbons, slippers and white gloves. Then the little flower girl. Bettie Womack followed carrying a basket of flowers scattering them right and left. The bride followed dressed with white satin entrain trimmed in chiffon and orange blossoms and the regulation veil. She carried a boquet of bride roses and walked the length of the church down to the left aisle. At this moment the two groomsmen, Messrs. R P. Bird, editor of the Conservator, and S. J. Evans, followed by the groom came down the right aisle and met the bride and maids at the altar where Rev. D. A. Graham performed the marriage ceremony making the two man and wife, while the organist softly played "Call Me Thine Own." At the conclusion of the ceremony the little flower girl led the way down the left aisle keeping time to Mendelsohn's wedding march. The reception was held at the residence of Mrs, A. H. Brown where Miss Wells has made her home. The large double parlors had been turned into a bower of beauty with ferns and palms and roses by the ladies. Here the bridal party received the congratulations of hundreds of friends and many strangers from different parts of the country who had come to the city to attend the wedding. Mr. Robert C Wilson came from SanFrancisco, Miss Mary Ransom from Columbus, O., Miss Mattie R. Jackson, Chattanooga, Tenn., Richard Shewcraft, Detroit, Michigan.

There were present also Mr. and Mrs Wm. Penn Nixon, editor of the Inter Ocean and Miss Bertha Nixon; Mr. J. Loved Balgarnie and Miss Nellie Mc Ardine; Mr. Robert Sumerville, Gen. Pass. Agt. Chicago and Alton R. R. and wife; W. Allison Sweeney, editor of the Indianapolis Freeman; Mrs. Loomis; Committee of the Woman's Republican state central committee consisting of Mrs. Alice Asbery Abbott, Mrs. Martha Spencer Dietz, Mrs. George Plummer; Mrs. Rufus Cope, Mrs. Mary H. Krout.

Following is a list of presents received up to 6 o'clock. A complete list will be given next week.

Two china hand painted card receivers, Miss Dottie Levere; Tortoise shell salad fork, spoon and Spanish worked handkerchief, Lillian M. Wells; Decorated china vases, Mrs. Geo. W. Brown; half dozen china ice cream dishes, J. M. Washington; counterpane Mr. and Mrs. J. Thomas; silver butter knife, oxidized handle, Mr. and Mrs. Rubottom; comb and brush, Mr. G. L. Benedict; silver tea service, Mr. and Mrs. Robert McCoomer; china fruit dish, C. W. Norris; volume of poems, Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Bishop; solid silver pie knife and salad fork, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Moore; half dozen china cups and saucers, Annie E. Wells; silver souvenir spoon and fan, Mr. and Mrs. Eli Barringtine; silver butter dish, knife and cream pitcher, Mr. and Mrs. Broedy; decorated china flower jar, Mr and Mrs. Wm. Ousley; silver carving set, Miss Fields and sisters; solid silver ink stand, Mr. and Mrs D, P. French; silver water pitcher and tray, Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Williams; glass water set, Mr. and Mrs. George Rucker; silver berry dish, Miss Bertha Williams; flower vase, R. W. Lacey, gold writing pen, pearl handle, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Moore; book case, writing desk combined and chair, I. B W. Woman's Club; gold souvenir spoon, Miss Emma Jones; linen table cloth and half dozen napkins, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. H. Bond and family; counterpane, Mr. and Mrs. J. Thomas; cut glass cream pitcher and sugar bowl, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Smiley; two celery dishes Mr. and Mrs. Greer; handsome lampshade and lamp, Mr and Mrs. George F. Eoton; gold pickle fork, enameled handle, Chas. Pyron Smith; silver soup ladle and two onyx paper weights, John W. Rowman Jr.; engraved copy of "Madonna Di San Sisto," Dr. J. W. Curtis; handsome china bead plate, Mrs. R. M Hancock; handsome china pickle dish, Miss Ella C. Fogg; handkerchief case; perfume and looking glass, Mr. Kerney and wife; fruit plates, Mrs. Ella Johnson; vases, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Price; handkerchief case, Mrs. R. Scott: jewel case, Mrs. J. B. French; counterpane, Mrs. S. Armour; sugar bowl and cream pitcher, Mr. and Mrs. John L. Madden; comb and brush, Dr. A. A. Wesley; chocolate pitcher, Mr. A. A. Wells and wife; oatmeal set, Adah B. Martin; jelly spoon, Dr. Elmer E. Barr and family; cream spoon, Mr. Robert Summerville; water set, Mr. M. C. Porter; sugar spoon. Mr. J. W. E. Thomas and wife; two vases and card receiver, Mr. W. H Henderson and wife; table doylies, Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Elam; basket of flowers, Chicago Inter Ocean; half dozen silver coffee spoons, gold lining, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Barnett, of Memphis, Tenn.; solid sivor sugar spoon, gold lining, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Jones, Memphis, Tenn.; solid silver cake knife, Misses Lucille and Rosa Washington, Memphis, Tenn.; oxidized silver Egyptian urn, Mr. Mrs. and Miss Hart, Indianapolis, Ind.; half dozen solid silver oyster forks, Mr. and Miss M. E. Ransom, Columbus, O.; pair of linen towels, Mr. A. Jackson, Chattanooga, Tenn.; one dozen linen napkins and table cloth, Miss Mattie R. Jackson, Chattanooga, Tenn.; majolica flower jar, gold ornaments, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Wilson, San Francisco, Cal ; silver mustard ladle and salt spoon, Mr. and Mrs. L. Wallace, Memphis, Tenn.; silver tooth pick jar, Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Williams, New Orleans, La.; silver sugar spoon, Rev. Harvey Johnson and wife, Baltimore, Md.; solid silver water pitcher with goblets, Coterie Migratory Club, Memphis, Tenn.; silk tea gown, Mrs. F. Haywood, Memphis, Tenn.; berry spoon and butter knife, Mr. and Mrs. Caleb Sykes, Memphis, Tenn.—The Conservator.

Dr. Green's Reception

Bryan, Tex., Special,

The summer school with Prof. Geo. W. Turner as principal and Profs. Carter, Moore and Edmerson as assistants is doing fairly well. Prof. A. H. Colwell left for Brenham on the 24, where he will assist in conducting the Brenham Normal. Prof. Broyles and Rev. Morse of Hearne, arrived in the city on the 26th. Mrs. Dr. Majors of Waco, accompanied Dr. W. T. Green to the "Island City" on the 25th. Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Colwell have lost their infant daughter. Dr. Green and his bride arrived in the city on the morning of the 27th. A reception was tended him by his many friends at the High School building on the 27th. The ladies gave a picnic on the 26th, The revival at the A. M. E. church closed on the night of the 29th. Mesdames Colwell and Barrow and their respective families left for Hearne on the 28th where they will spend a few weeks with Mrs. C. N. Gillette. Miss Harris and Mrs. Gillette of Hearne, attended the funeral of little Sadie Colwell, Little Wesley Whitehead after suffering for more than a year died the morning of the 29th. Prof. C. W. Luckie, professor of Literature at Prairie View, was in the city on the 28th. Profs. C. C. Carter and O. A. Mims furnished music for the reception complimentary to Dr, Green and bride.

Election of F. and A. M. Officers.

Morgantown, W. Va., Special.

The M. W. G. L , of F. and A. M., of W. Va., convened here on the 18th to the 21st of June in the public school building by the request of Mt. Moriah Lodge. Those from out of the city who were present were: A. P. Straugters, Hinton, W. Va.; H. N. Winters, Harpers Ferry, W. Va.; Z. T. McClung, Parkersburg, W. Va.; F. Porterfield, Charleston, W. Va ; W. J. Browner, Charleston, W. Va.; G. W. Hughes, Huntington. W. Va ; C. J. Perry, Montgomery, W. Va.; J. R. Clifford, Martinsburg, W. Va The following officers were elected to serve the ensuing year are as follows: H. H. Winter, G. M.; Z. T. McClung, G. S. W.; R E. Jenkins, of Morgantown, G. J. W.; G. W. Hughes, G. S.; F. Porterfield, G. T.; W. J. Browner, D. G. M. The G. L. will meet at Martinsburg, W. Va., next June. C. A. Biggs has sold his barber shop to A. G. Smith. George Hunt, of Florida, is the guest of J. H. Hunt. Rev. Toliver, of Uniontown, Pa., preached at the A. M. E., campmeeting Sunday last. Rev. N. I. Watson, pastor of the M. E. church will preach here on Sunday next.

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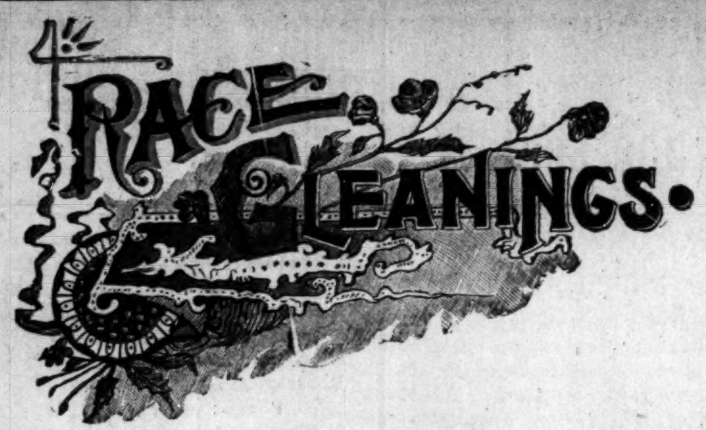
RACE GLEANINGS.

The assistant city attorney, the city physician and a member of the city council of Leavenworth, Kan., are highly respected gentlemen of color.

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Hon. John M. Langston says the Waller case is in good shape and he hopes his distinguished client will get full justice in the end from the French Government.

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At the annual meeting of the supreme council of the A. P. A., held at Milwaukee, Wis., John King, of St Louis, an Afro-American, was elected supreme guard.

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The colored people of Montgomery, Ala., met Tuesday evening in the Dexter Avenue Baptist church, to organize a Building and Loan Association. Rapid movements are being made to push it.

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In Bermuda the colored race—which numbers about three fifths of the entire 15,000 population of the island—has only two representatives in the general legislative body composed of twenty-four members.

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W. D. Riley, a Negro accused of the murder of Fred Williams at Mason, Mich, was frightened by a bogus lynching party into making a confession and implicating Ross Spears. The latter was arrested and the money recovered.

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Miss Mallie Wade, the young school teacher who was murdered in St. Louis, recently, was a member of a class of thirteen which graduated from the high school in '93. One committed suicide, three died of consumption and the death of Miss Wade makes the fifth.

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The National Colored Woman's club will hold a convention in Boston during the month of August. Many of the intelligent colored women of this country will be in attendance, and such important questions as the prevailing popularity of lynch law and the general welfare of the race will receive attention.

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A correspondent informs us that the Negro miners, mine laborers and coke yard men in West Virginia are on a strike, resisting a twenty per cent reduction. And the companies are said to be recruiting men in New York City. Already 175 Italians have been sent there, but they would not work and the company had to return them.

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On Thursday of last week Miss Ida B. Wells, the gifted young colored lady who has won fame both in this country and Europe as leader of the great anti-lynching movement, was married in Chicago to Hon. Ferdinand L. Barnett, a prominent colored newspaper man and lawyer of that city, and a member of the well known law firm of Barnett & Williams. Many guests from other cities were in attendance.

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John Hudson, a colored lad of eighteen years, won first prize in the second annual bicycle road race at Mansfield, Mass., last Saturday. He made the distance of fifteen miles in 47:07 and the prize was a three hundred dollar team and buggy. Many crack riders of the East were among Hudson's competitors. He lives at Westfield, the same state, and is considered a wonder on the wheel.

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Under the will of the late John H. Cassedy, of Haverstraw, N. Y., the Atlanta University becomes the residuary legatee of the estate. The amount that the school will receive cannot be definitely ascertained at present, but it is several thousand dollars, and no directions concerning its use are given. Mr. Cassedy had previoully made two gifts of $5,000 each to the university, the income of which is to be used in aiding needy students.

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The American Commercial League Coal and Feed Co., a race enterprise in Kansas City, Kas., in its annual meeting held recently declared an appreciable dividend to its stockholders, and elected the following officers for the ensuing year: John J. Thomas, president; J. W. Anthony, vice president; U. F. Scales, secretary; E. F. Henderson, manager; and J. J. Lewis, assistant manager.

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One of the most interesting features of the Negro Department of the Cotton States and International Exposition which is to be held in Atlanta, September 18 to December 31, 1895, is the Church Exhibit. The race has made most wonderful progress in church building, some of their church edifices being among the finest in the land. Statistics show that they have 22,155 church edifices with a seating capacity of over eight million. The value of this church property is placed at twenty-five million.

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The sudden closing up of the New York barber shop on Sunday has resulted in the establishment of three shaving clubs at Huntington, L. I., at which no colored men need apply, evading the Malby law in one direction. Some of the regular customers got together and organized shaving clubs, in which only members are shaved. One section in the by laws gives the steward the privilege of shaving a person who is not a member of the club, provided he comes regularly recommended by a club member. The colored men are at a disadvantage in this respect, for no one will recommend them to any of the clubs.

Children's Day Exercises.

Clay Center, Kas., Special.

Mrs. Mary Greason, of Enid, Oklohoma, is visiting Mrs. Janie Willhight and Miss Lully Furgerson. Miss Lizzie Williams, of Abeline, Kas., is visiting Miss Mary Holmes. Two of our colored men are in the chain gang for their bad bahavior. H. Russell was charged with shooting a pistol off near the Second M. E. church window. T. Davis is charged with jumping a train against the city ordinance. Children's Day was a success at the Second Baptist church on the 16th. Little Miss Levie Johnson, the age 9 years is now the organist for the church. The children have been given much credit for their work. Rev. S W. Beasly, of Topeka, Kas., was with us and took an active part. He read a very lengthy paper on mission work. The Second M. E. church held their children's day on the 23d, which was to come off the 9th. The program was well carried out and showed quite an improvement over that of last year. Some who took part were Mr. and Mrs. B. K. Griffin, Mrs. C. H. Davie, Miss Mary Holmes, Miss Carrie Dunn, Miss Letie Brook and Mr. Matthew Holmes.

Africa the Negro's Home.

EDITOR FREEMAN.

I see in the issue of the 25th where the whites have said that Africa is the Negro's home, and if he don't go there they are going to kill them out, and in this section we are in favor of going without being driven or killed to be made go. We know that Africa is our home and we want to go there so they need not put themselves to any trouble about killing us or driving us. By the help of God and the help of the government and others we, as the Negro race, are in the poor white man's way and they are in our way and we want to get out of this country where fears will be over and in our own country. We had rather be in our mother land than to be in the white man's country, after working as slaves and then being lynched. And again the white man does not care any more for our families, wives and our daughters than if we were not human and I do say that we can do better than we are doing if we will leave. We were turned loose without money, clothing or a foot of land of any kind to stand on or to bury our dead mothers and fathers on and they know that they had more than 250 years the advantage of us when the war was ended and yet we are in a starving land. This is in reply to what I call a death letter that I saw in The Freeman of the 25th of May signed by S. W. Moore, of Little Rock, Ark.

JOHN BROWN.

Enola, Miss.

Fifth Annual Commencement.

Christiansburg, Va., Special.

The Fifth Annual Commencement exercises of the Christianburg Institute took place, beginning May 28th, and ending May 31st. The audience was amused by the first and second grades who were under the able management of Miss O E. Page on the night of the 28th. On the night of the 29th the third and fourth grades rendered a very select program which reflected great credit upon their teacher, Mrs. P. T. Grimes. The evening of the 30th from 2 to 4 p. m., marked the beginning of the Commencement exercises, which were opened by a chorus "Come Thou Fount;" prayer by Rev. G. W. Alexander; chorus, "Nearer My God to Thee;" oration, "Citizenship in the United States of America," with salutatory and valedictory by J. B. Mitchell; the annual address was delivered by Rev. R. J. Buckner, subject, "The Negro in Public Life." Remarks from Rev. Chick who presented the diplomas to the graduates ended the exercises of the evening. The exercises of the night of the 30th were conducted by the High and Normal departments, H. H. Thweatt, the principal, presiding. On the night of the 31st, C. A. Powell delivered an address to the male and female literary societies. During the commencement exercises articles were on exhibition from the different departments of the industrial school; from the carpenter shop, a bed and tool chest; from the cooking department, pastries of all kinds; from the sewing class pillow shams decorated with fancy needle work, white dress illustrating the several kinds of stitches; this work was so very fine that one would have to look very closely to discover that it was not machine sewed.

Call for Afro-American Leagues.

San Diego, Cal., Special.

Please allow me space in your paper to give the synopsis of the doings of the colored people of the state. The thinking men of the race have struck the key-note by making a call for all the Afro-American Leagues to assemble at California Hall, San Francisco July 30th, for the purposes of uniting ourselves in closer bonds whereby we may be able to better understand each other and act and vote as a unit whenever the interest of the race demands it. The time has come and we must act in unison—stand by and support him who champions our cause, be he white or black. The sooner we launch out in this direction, the quicker we will accomplish the ends sought with ease and complacence. The Rev. Mr. O'Summers, Chaplain of the assembly of this state, lectured to the people of San Diego on the 4th inst, subject, "Repeal of the Black Laws of the State" Mr. Withington, our assemblyman from San Deigo county, addressed the meeting and said he would use his efforts at the next legislature to have the black laws repealed. The colored people of San Deigo have two blacksmith shops, one grocery store, one lodging house, one restaurant, one second-hand store, one ice cream parlor and four churches. Childrens Day at the A. M. E. church was a very enjoyable one. There were good singing and recitations.

COMBINATION SLEEPER

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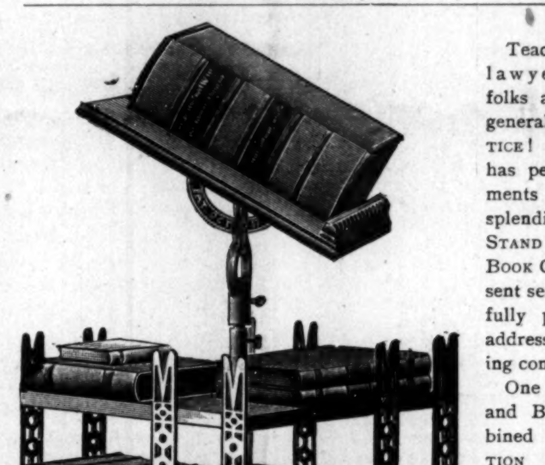

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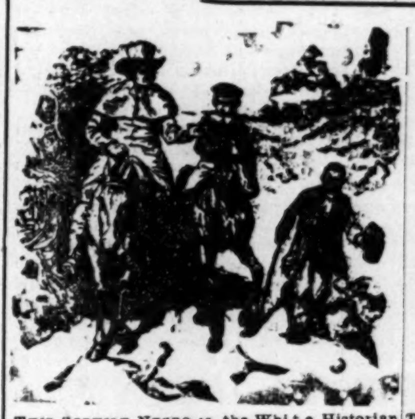
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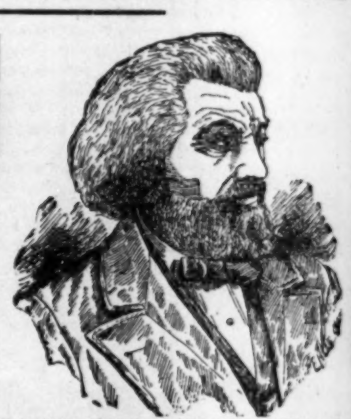
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Responds to beauty's call,
And goes away on picnics when
He'd rather play baseball.

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Housewives say that the oldfashioned rose geranium will keep flies away, and two or three in a room will banish them altogether.

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Take four lemons, two oranges, six tablespoonsful sugar, three pints water squeeze the lemon and orange juice upon the sugar; let it stand five minutes, add water and ice, stir well and serve; a larger allowance of sugar can be made for those who like sweet drinks.

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A correspondent writes, in reference to the suggestion made in these columns not long ago that pasteboard should be used as a shield while cleaning electric bells set into wood or stone: "Oilcloth or linoleum is much better. Being stiff, it does not need to be held in place. It can be easily washed and kept clean."

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It is not solely for the advancement of pure thought in the azure zone of intellect that women's clubs are formed. There are feminine societies or clubs for the promotion of cooking, cycling, needlework, municipal reform, politics, equestrianism, the cosmos, lukewarm tea and many other things.

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Russian tea is so much more refreshing, as well as so much more appetizing to most palates than the average bever age offered at 5 o'clock that one wonders it is not oftener met with. It need not contain the often added drop of cordial, but a slice of lemon alone, without any cream and perferably no sugar, gives a very piquant flavor to what, to the American taste, is rather an insipid drink.

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Pineapple or lemon sherbet is always welcome and is far preferable to the vile liquid usually furnished at picnics and dignified by the name of coffee. Bouillon will be found quite invaluable. It is now put up in small capsules, which, when dissolved in boiling water, makes a very refreshing drink. Take along a generous supply of Japanese paper napkins, and above all things, don't forget a corkscrew.

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Girls to whom flowers are a luxury and not a daily surfeit have a dozen ways of keeping them fresh. There is none better than plunging the stumps, up to the blossom, in a basin of cold water and leaving them over night. Another almost as good is to leave the flowers and the containing dish in the open air over night. A cornation with its stem thrust into a potato keeps fresh for several days, while the fleeting charm of the morning glory may be preserved for a late breakfast if the blossom be plucked over night and permitted to open in the shade.

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Some women never acquire the knack of tying a bow knot. In fact, many women do not, judging from the strange, upside-down, wrong-side-out affairs one sees in ribbons and sashes and bonnet strings. The process is simplicity itself after it is once learned. Always put the upper string over the under, and never the reverse, is the whole thing in a nutshell. If this same upper string is again brought through the middle loop before pulling it smartly into place it will make the untiable which is necessary in shoe laces for instance.

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At the recent exhibition at Pratt Institute, Brooklyn, says the New York Times, considerable space was devoted to the mother's work in kindergartening. There was something almost pathetic in the thought of the matrons studying how to clip paper and mold clay, that they might be able to interest and instruct their children. An ingenious device originated by a student matron was an oblong cushion, the shape and size of a box such as shoemakers use for their goods. It was covered with glass toweling in small pattern. This presented an admirable ground for figures to be made with black-headed pins. The hint may be of use to mothers for wet days in the country.

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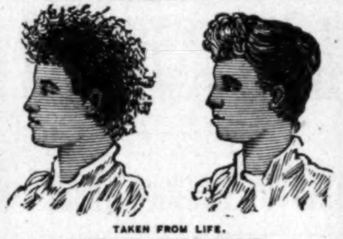

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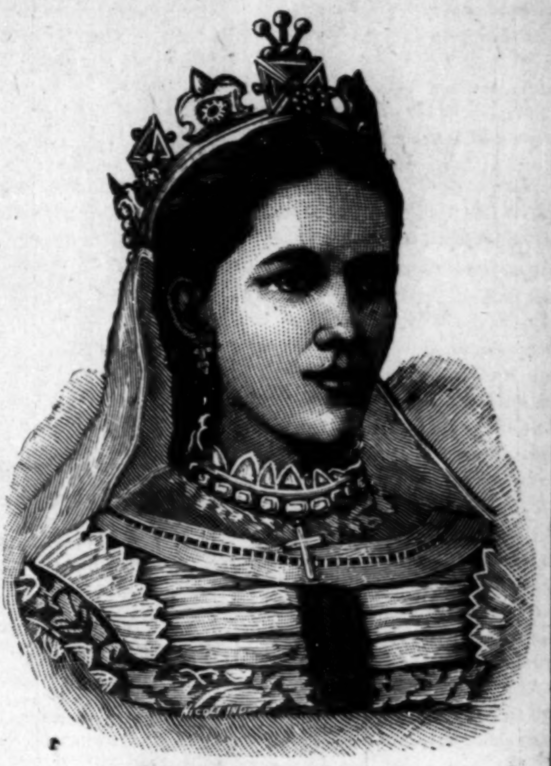

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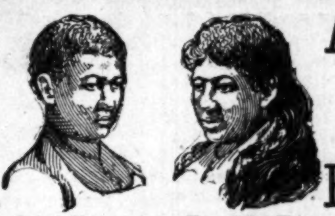

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CITY HAPPENINGS—PERSONAL.

Rev. Leroy Redd is sick.

Cheap carpets at Frank H. Rupert's.

William Brown is at the lakes.

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Rev. John T. Leggett is in the city.

Cheap carpets at Frank H. Rupert's.

H. G. McMath has returned to the city.

Old papers for sale at The Freeman office.

Cheap carpets at Frank H. Rupert's.

Picnic at Blue River Park, Friday July 19th.

Mrs. V. B. King has returned from a visit to Dayton, O.

Cheap carpets at Frank H. Rupert's.

Miss Daisy Stewart left last Wednesday for the White City.

Furniture on payments at Frank H. Rupert's.

John Howard is seriously sick at his home, 438 Douglass street.

Communion services at Corinthian church to morrow at 3 p. m.

Furniture on payments at Frank H. Rupert's

J. T. A. Hazlewood of Portsmouth, N. H., was in the city Tuesday.

Mrs. Sarah Steele, of Washington, Ind., was a guest in the city this week.

Furniture on payments at Frank H. Rupert's.

Miss Addie Kinley, of Chicago, was the guest of Miss Jennie Wade this week.

Fare to Blue River Park—round trip—adults, 55c; children under 12 years of age 25c.

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Detective Smith, of Chicago, Ill., was in the city last Saturday the guest of detective Thornton.

Buy your Hats at Seaton's Hat Store, 27 North Pennsylvania street.

A Free Will Baptist church was recently organized at North Indianapolis.

Cheap carpets at Frank H. Rupert's.

William Sherrell of the Chicago postoffice was a visitor in the city this week.

Furniture on payments at Frank H. Rupert's

Peter Caspenter is sueing Mary, his wife, for a divorce in the Superior Court.

Best Cabinets at Bennett's only $1.00 a dozen.

Mack Larter left Tuesday for a ten day's visit with friends and relatives at Bedford.

Furniture on payments at Frank H. Rupert,s

Miss Clara Warfield of 35 Centre street is visiting friends in Shelbyville and Danville.

Furniture on payments at Frank H. Rupert's

Miss "Dott" Levear, of LakeCity, is the guest of Maggie Ewing on West Sixth street.

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Allen Chapel church and Sunday school go to Blue River Park July 19th over C. H. & D. line,

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Miss Mabel James, of Warsaw, is the guest of her cousin, Miss Flora B. Passmore, N. 130 Agnes street.

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The Dumas Club of Chicago ran an excursion to this city Sunday morning, returning Tuesday night.

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A grand concert was held at the Second Baptist church on last Tuesday evening under the auspieces of the Oliver Baptist church of Chicago.

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Miss Mamie White represented Allen Chapel Sunday School at the convention, which convened at Crawfordsville last week.

Special price on best Cabinets at Bennett's only $1.00 per dozen—best come and sit now.

The Allen Chapel church and Sunday school picnic has been postponed from June 26th to Friday July 19th. Train leave at 9 a. m. via C. H. & D. line.

Mesdames Matttie Harris and Sylva Horton, of Chicago, are being entertained by Mrs. Mollie L. Brown at 175 West North street.

Go to Frank H. Rupert's, opposite Bates House, for rock-bottom prices.

James Lowderback, who received a pistol shot wound at the hands of Fielding Shearer on last Saturday night, is slowly recovering.

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Miss Minnie Ridgely, Charles Ridgely and George Harris brother of Mrs. Susie Harris, who resides at No. 123 Alleghany street, are here from Vandalia, Mich.

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The See-Saw Cycling club tendered Major Taylor a grand reception on last Wednesday in honor of winning a lot in the late race to Matthews. Taylor won over thirty-six competitors, all white.

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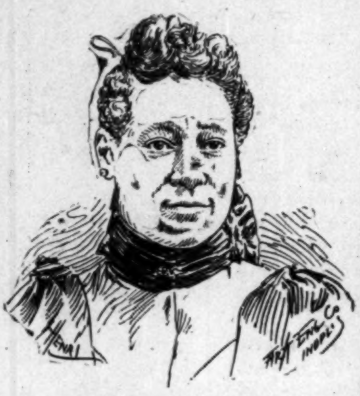
Mrs. Lillian Thomas-Fox, Indianapolis' well known reader and elocutionist, is being received with great favor in different localities throughout the state. The Evansville, Ind., Daily News of a recent date contains the following:

"There was a good sized audience at McFarland Chapel last night to hear Mrs. Lillian Thomas-Fox. She is a lady of wonderful elocutionary powers, as was clearly exhibited in her dramatic reading and impersonations last night. Her recitation of "Liberty Bell" was rendered in a grand style and elicited much applause as well as many others of her renditions. She never fails to entertain and delight her audience. It was a treat to hear her and should she repeat her visit to this city soon, we are quite sure that she will be greeted with a crowded house. * * * Evansville always extends a cordial welcome to such visitors as Mrs. Fox."



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LILLIAN THOMAS-FOX.

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Mrs. J. P. Shepherd, the brilliant literatuer and church worker of our city, was selected on the occasion of the annual conference of the State Woman's Home Missionary Society, which convened in Franklin, Ind., to respond on behalf of the society to the Mayor's address of welcome extended to the ladies. The following excerpt from her efforts, which is spoken of very highly by those who heard it, will give some idea of her trend of thought and manner of marshalling words:

"It is because of the growth of this spirit that comprehends within itself the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man, that we, the majority of whom assembled are strangers, have been welcomed, made to feel at home by words of elcquence and Christian fealty, coming from the lips of the Chief Magistrate of this beautiful city. Shakespeare once said 'One touch of nature makes the whole world kin,' and it is such incidents as this, where apparently race lines, distinctions that hinge upon past and present conditions, are lost sight of, that more than anything else verifies the truth of this saying.

"Speaking, therefore, on behalf of the delegates of the Home Missionary Society here assembled, it becomes my duty as well as pleasure, to assure his Honor, the Mayor, and through him the citizens of Franklin that such words of wisdom and God speed will be as seed sown in fertile soil. * * * On returning to our homes we will carry memories of the grand and successful efforts, that will be a memento in after life. You demonstrate to us that you stand ready with hand, with heart, with means to help promote this noble work.

If you cannot cross the ocean,
And the heathen land explore,
You can find the heathen nearer,
You can help them at your door.

"Woman of the nineteenth century, dowered as never women were before with gifts, with opportunities, with all the world open to thy tread, and waiting for thy help, press forward, go onward to victory, for a crown of glory awaiteth your pilgrimage"

Personal Mention.

W. Allison Sweeney, Editor The Freeman returned from Chicago Monday.

Mrs. Susan Hillyard of North California street has returned from her visit to different points in Ohio.

J. Gray Lucas, Esq., and wife of Chicago, were guests this week of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Taylor of our city.

Hon. Geo. L. Knox, proprietor of The Freeman, is home again and reports a most enjoyable trip to Ohio, Michigan and the lakes. See article, fourth page.

Rev. J. C. Embrey, publisher of the Christian Recorder Philadelphia, was a guest of Dr. T. W. Henderson and a caller at The Freeman sanctum this week.

Rev. O. A. Williams, ex-pastor of the Presbyterian church will shortly leave for his former home in North Carolina, and from thence by easy stages to his new field of duty, St. Augustine, Fla. At the farewell reception tendered him Monday night by the members of his church, the clergy and citizens of Indianapolis, speeches eulogizing his sterling qualities and regretting his departure were made by numerous citizens of the city. Resolutions along the same line were also passed, becoming a part of the record of the church.

MAJOR TAYLOR

Wins the Matthews Road Race—Received a Valuable Lot—Notes.

Major Taylor won the remarkable road race to Matthews last Sunday, being the only one out of thirty-six starters to cover the seventy-five miles, making the run mostly through rain and mud. When he arrived at Matthews his clothing was covered with mud and weighed more than his wheel. He was taken in hand, rubbed down, bathed and blanketed by his trainer, looking none the worse for his hard day's work when he returned home. The "Major" received a town lot in Matthews, valued at $125 for first prize.

The Herculean base ball club defeated the Northern Stars last Sunday on the Twenty-Second street grounds, by a score of 5 to 4. The game was exciting and full of brilliant players.

The Herculean ball club will play the Bland Unions at Terre Haute, Sunday, July 21st.

The New Castle club will play in this city this month.

New Doctor's Office.

We note with pleasure, that Dr. Sumner A. Furniss, late interne at the City Hospital, has opened an office for the purpose of practicing his profession at No. 90 West New York street. In concluding to cast his future fortune with the citizens of Indianapolis, who are not slow to recognize true merit and professional excellence, Dr. Furniss has made no mistake, and we predict for him a successful and distinguished career.

Officers Elected.

Columbus, O., Special.

The Grand Lodge of Free Masons of Ohio will hold their annual meeting at Columbus August 21, 22 and 23 The Grand Commandery of Ohio, Knight Templars will hold their annual conclave at Cleveland, O, August 27, 28 and 29. Mrs. Dr. Newson, of Gallipolis, O, will spend the summer with friends in Columbus and Westerville, O. Miss Mattie Lewis has a position as book-keeper in Dr. Dean's medical institution. Mrs. William Charlton and daughter will spend several weeks with friends and relatives in Southern Ohio. Rev. Alexander Crummel, D. D., and wife, of Washington, D. C., have been entertained by friends several days. He preached at the evening service at St. Pauls A. M. E. Church. Company B, ninth batalion, O. N. G., is gaining new life under the captaincy of H. Dulquid, recently elected to the position. The following appointments was made: Third Sergeant, S. Harris; Orderly Sergeant, Joseph McFarland; Quarter Master Sergeant, George Stewart. Arrangements are being made to purchase a company wardrobe and other necessary equipments. The band is rendering some very excellent music at their Friday evening rehearsals. A burley white brute assaulted the eight-year-old daughter of W. F. McCone yesterday morning. The child is in a critical condition and may die.

Teachers' Institute.

Shelbyville, Tenn., Special.

Miss Mattie Howard, of Nashvile, is in the city. The Teachers Institute has been in session for ten days. It closed on the 28th. The schools of the city opened on the first and through out the county on the 2nd Monday. Misses McClain, Martin and Williams, of Long View, the Misses Stubbs, of Wartrace and Robert Martin, of Arkansas, are in the city. Profs. J. W. Lyons and J. Dismuke, of Wartrace, is in town. The teachers from all over the county were in the city last week. Rev. Mrs. R. Hill's mother died last week. Profs. R. P. Purdy and James Edmanson left on the train on the 29th. Prof. Tatty, of Florida, is up to see his father, mother, brother and friends. Mrs. Dr. W. M. Key's husband and brother, of Chattanooga, are at her fathers. Mrs. S M. Lowe, of the blind asylum of Nashville, Tenn. is in the city. Rev. A. L. Nelson's rally on the 26th took in $69. Rev. J. W. Gray, (white) of the M E church, South, preached for Rev. J. A. Jones on the 30th for his rally. Mr. Medarlans and Miss Beatrice Trail left for Richmond, Tenn., on the 29th. The Imaculate supper was a grand success The entertainment given by the teachers was very nice. Church re-opening and building is the watch word among the sons and daughters of Ham. All that read The Freeman in this little town; say, they want to see the Lewis letter of Shelbyville, as well as the McAdams letter. Many want to read The Freeman but don't want to pay for it. J. S. Gillian wants the young men of trades to come together and let him know what they will work for. Many young ladies are learning to sew under Madams Ellen Gilliland and Sarah Blackmore. Get The Freeman at W. H. Gosling's store.

Illness of The Pastor.

Carrollton, Ky., Special.

Rev J. W. Hutchings, pastor of the C. M. E. church, has been ill for some time with fever. He is slowly convalescent. Rev. H. T. Bray, of Madison, Ind., was summoned to fill his pulpit last Sunday. Rev. Bray is one of the coming young men of the A. M. E. church. Mrs. Bray, of Madison, Ind., is visiting Mrs. Oscar Woods. Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Allen spent several days in the city visiting friends. They returned Saturday to Madison, Ind. Miss Lola Skelton left last Tuesday for Uniontown, Ky., to spend several weeks.

The D. & C. new steamers are now running four trips per week between Toledo, Detroit and Mackinac. Send for their illustrated pamphlet, Midsummer Voyages to Mackinac. Address A. A. Schantz, G. P. A, Detroit.

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$1 98 for the Trilby Suit, cost $2 75.
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75c for Boys' Wash Suits, cost $1 25.
$1 25 for Boys' Wash suits, cost $2 00.

FOR THE LADIES.

49c for Shirt Waists, cost 75c.
75c for Shirt Waists, cost 98c.
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